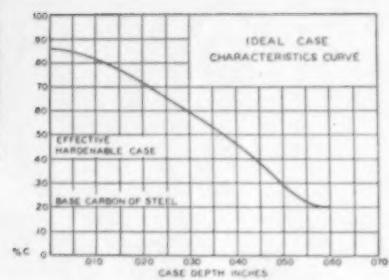
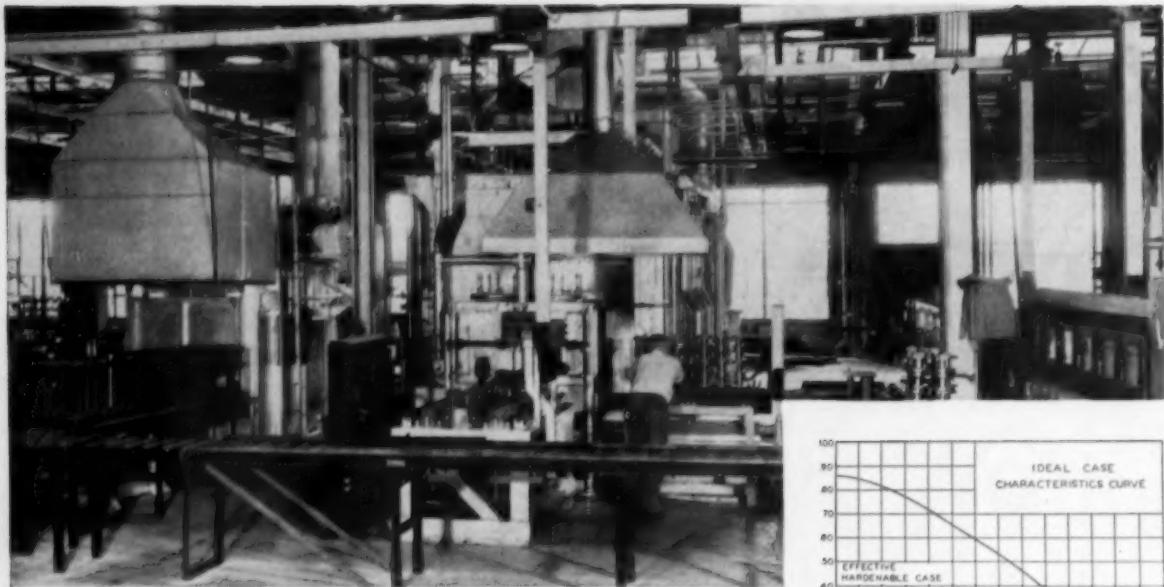


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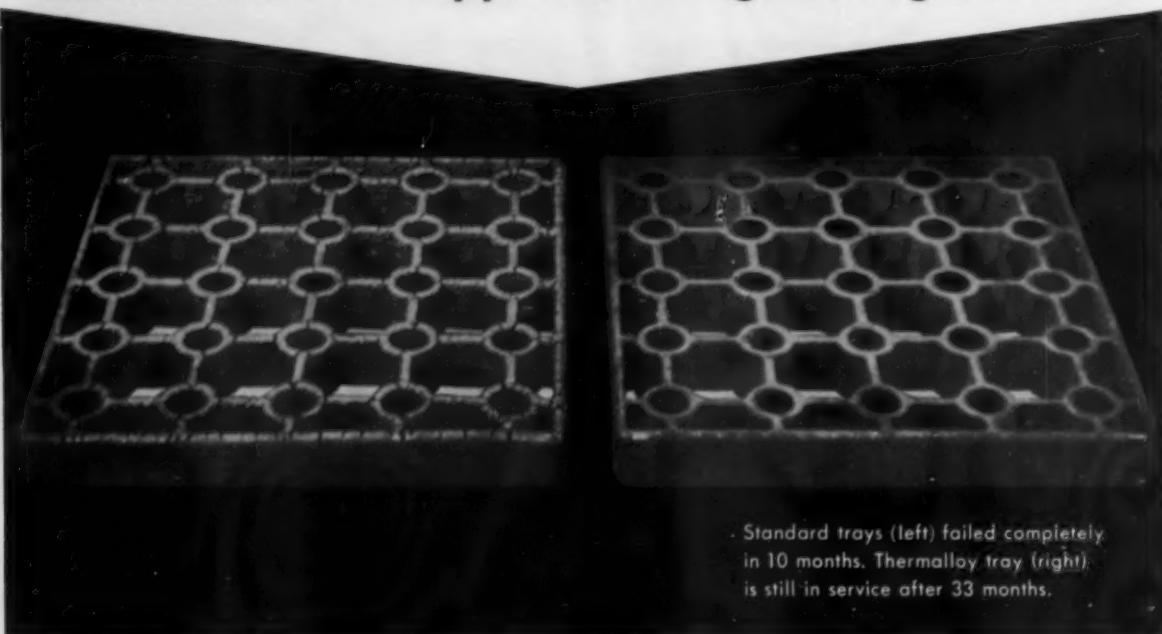
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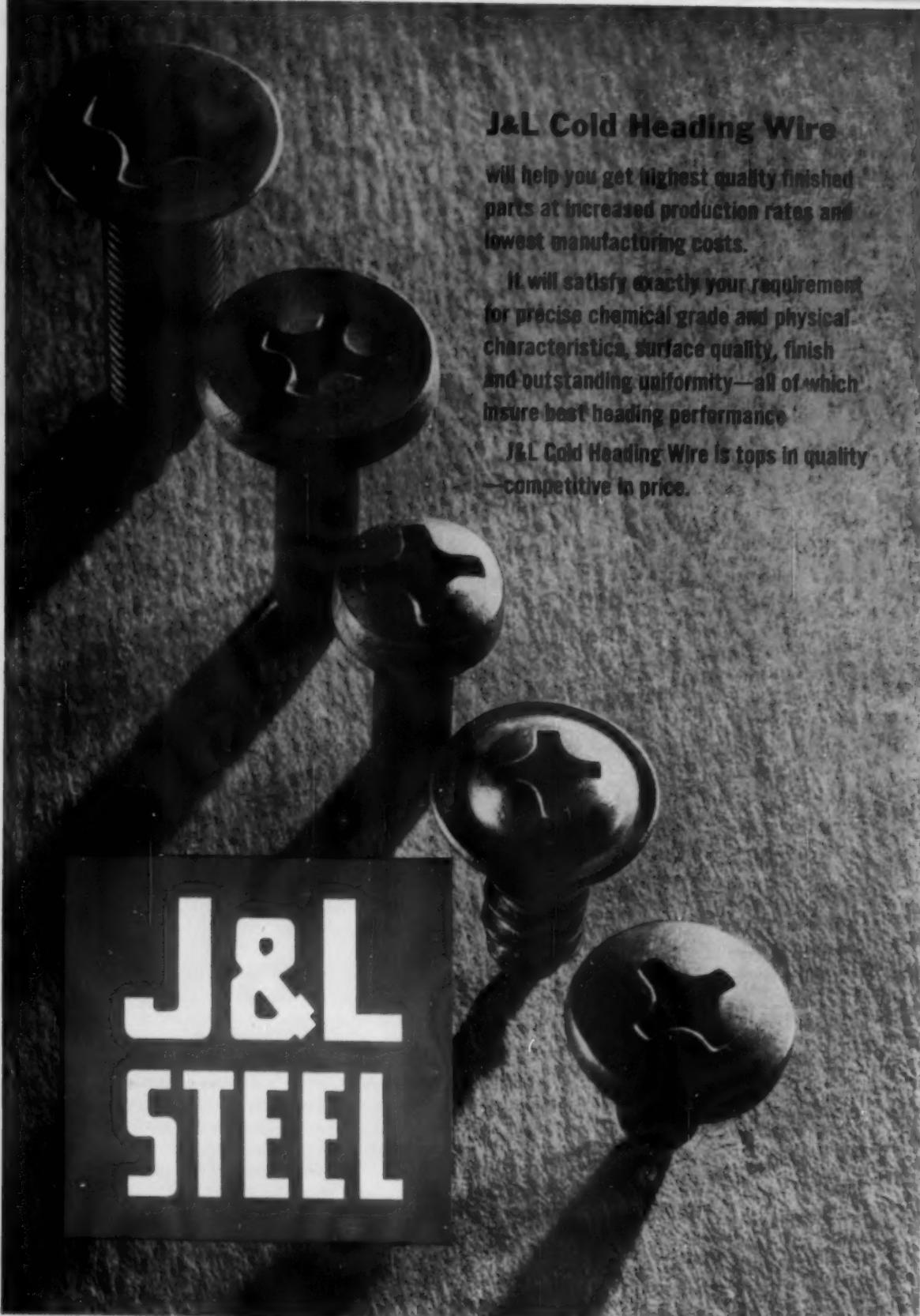
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bedroom, I challenged them to declare their identity as friend or enemy. The one with the short, dull needle proved to be my friend, but at long last came the inevitable enemy, and then I had to surrender.

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In a day or so I will be heading to Montreal from where I will embark on the Empress of Scotland to attend the Joint Metallurgical Societies Meeting in Europe. Approximately 200 will be making the trip, and they will assemble in London for the opening session June 1st. I am sure it will be a wonderful meeting, and those of us who are able to attend will consider ourselves to be very fortunate.

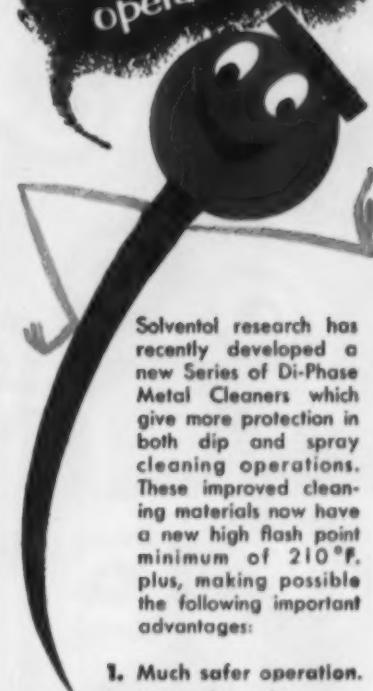
During the visits of this group to England, Germany and France, with post-convention meetings in Italy, Austria and Spain, an announcement will be made by the A.S.M. and invitations extended to all the free nations to participate in the Second World Metallurgical Congress. It will be held under the auspices of the A.S.M. Nov. 4 through 8, 1957, when the National Metal Congress and Exposition will be meeting in Chicago. You will be hearing more about it as the plans develop.

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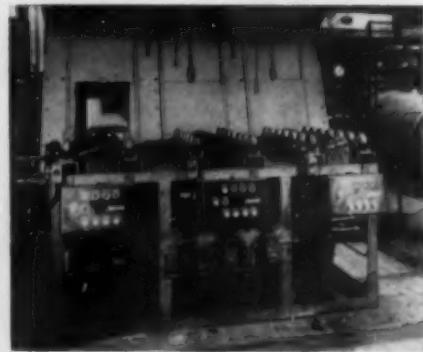
These are two of the three Lindberg gas-fired radiant tube carburizing and carbonitriding furnaces recently installed by an internationally known maker of farm machinery. With these furnaces 75% of parts are carbonitrided and 25% carburized. In addition, some bright annealing is done and the versatile Lindberg units can easily be converted for other heat treating applications.

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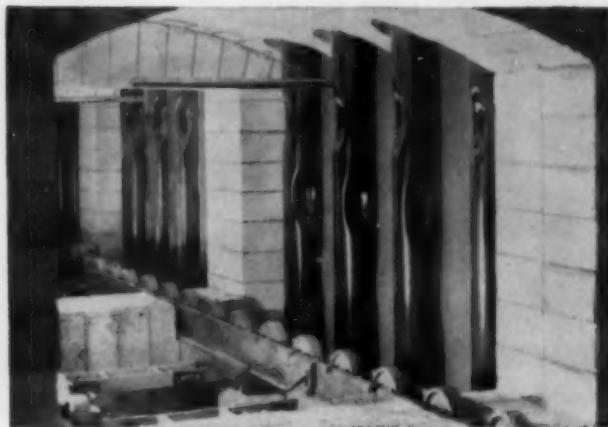
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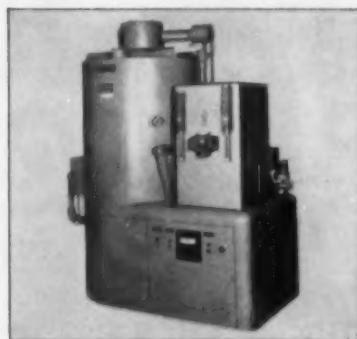
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This newly-designed Lindberg Hyen generator is used with Lindberg radiant tube furnaces to supply the most exacting atmospheres needed for any heat treatment.

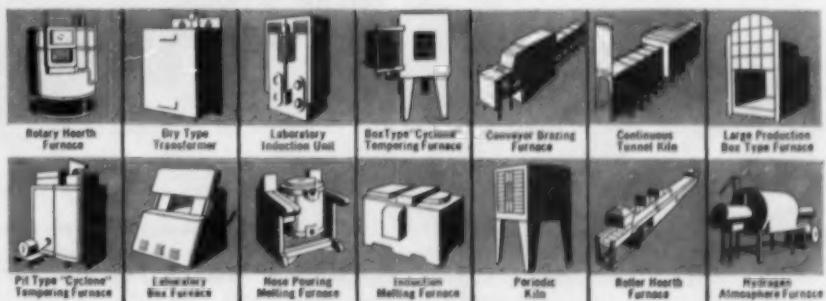


Here is the new Lindberg Carbotrol unit which automatically controls the carbon potential of furnace atmospheres provided by the Lindberg Hyen generator.



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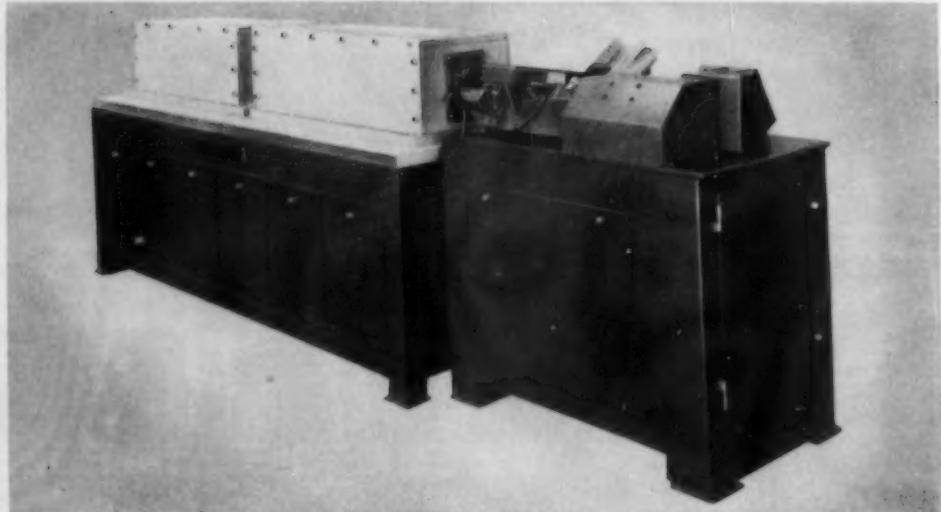
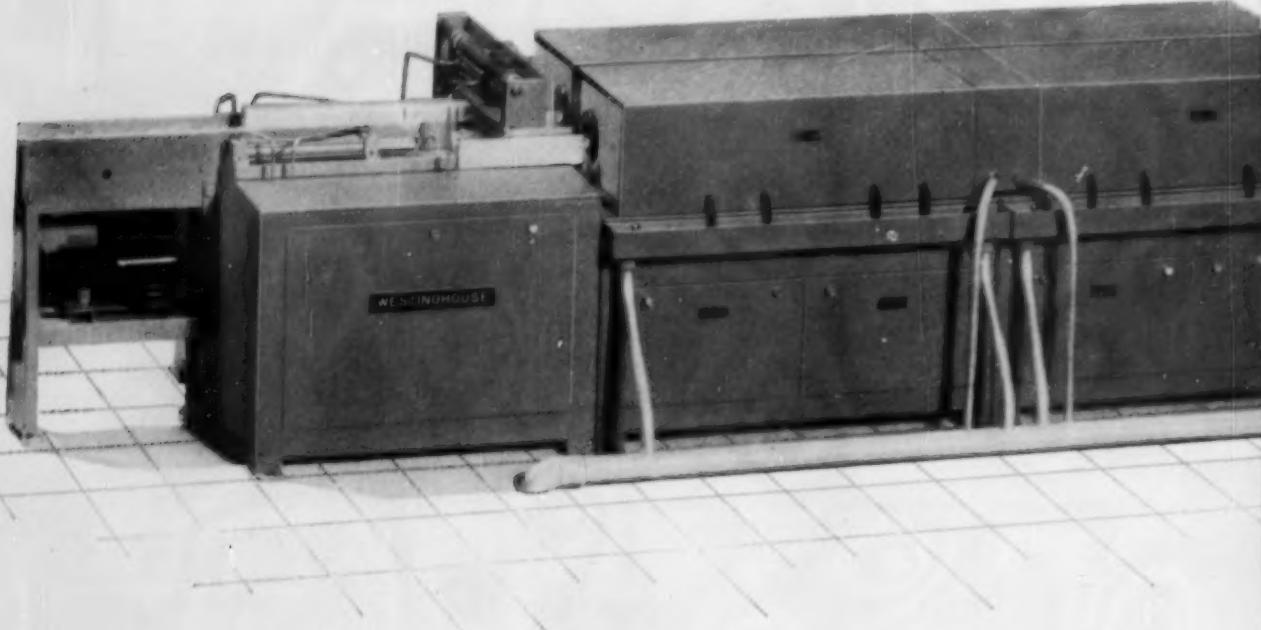
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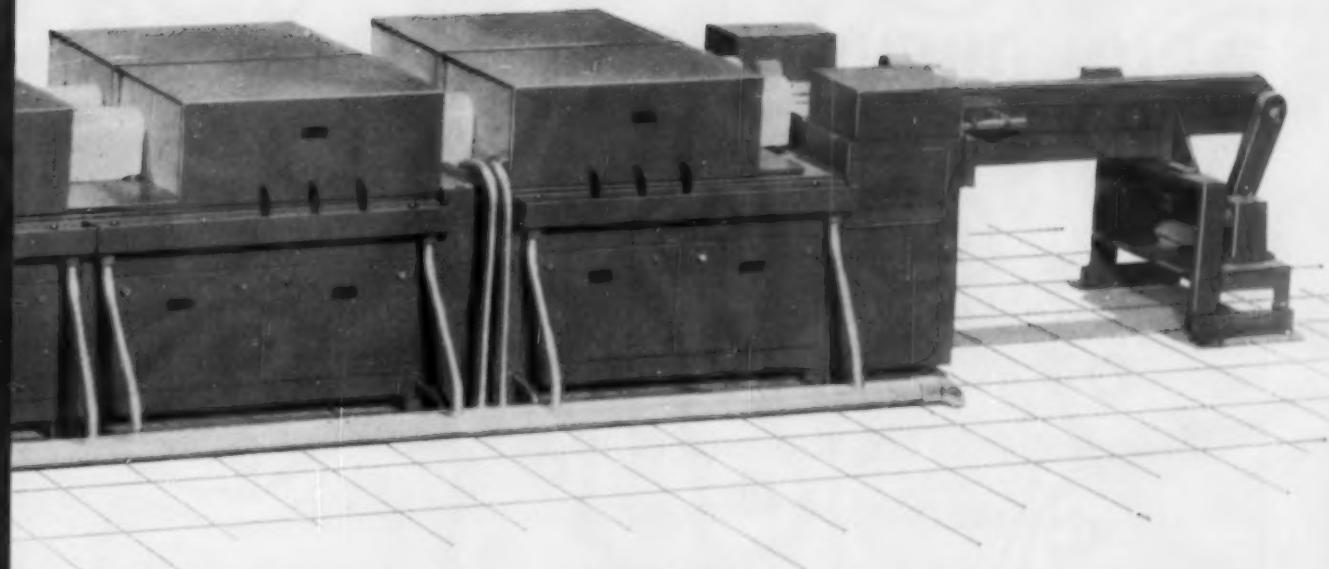
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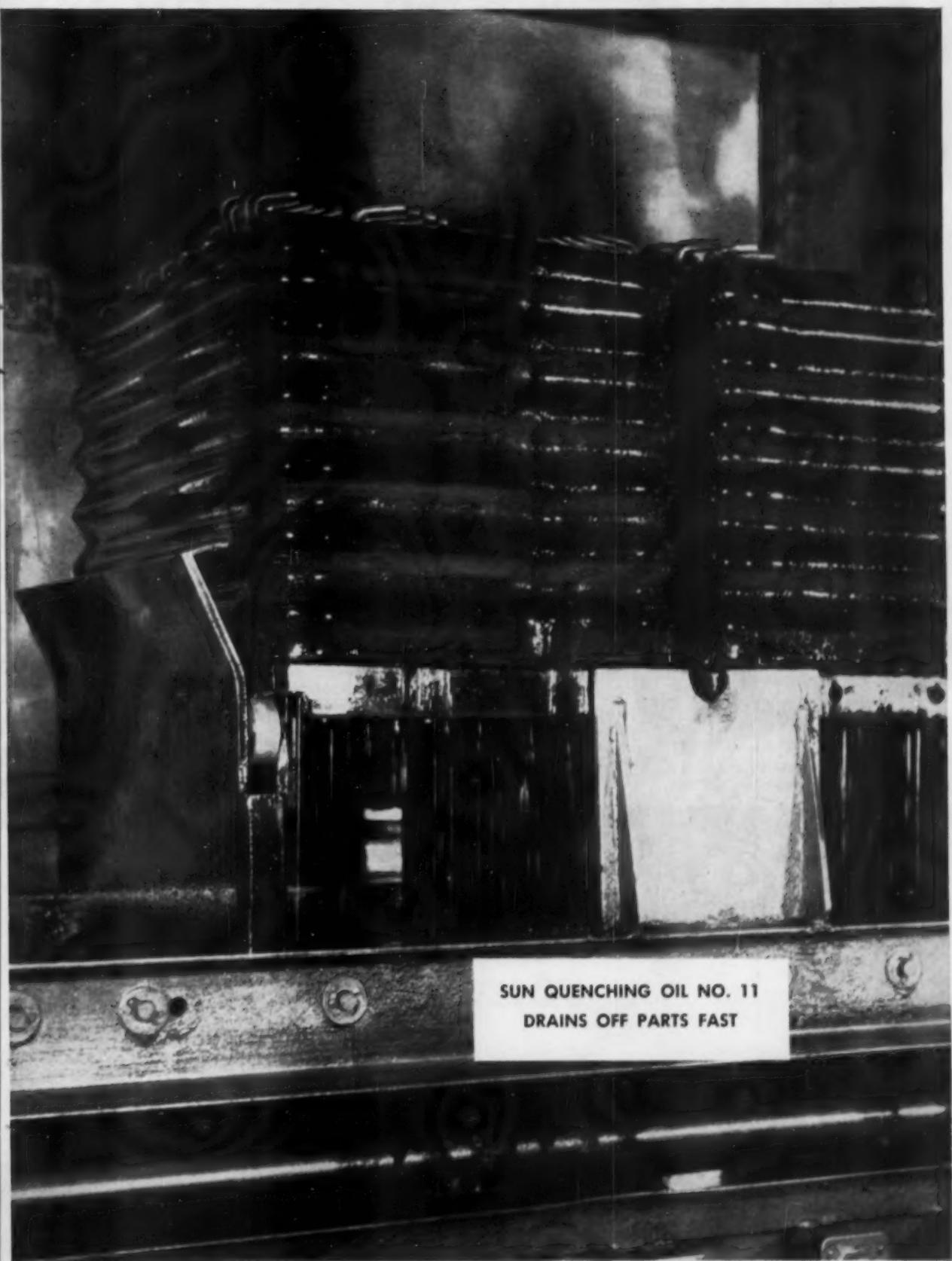


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Kelite Products, Inc., has announced a dry powder which in water solution removes hard water scale, rust and paint from ferrous metals. No electrolytic current is used and the material is nonacid. The rate of attack on copper is low, but lead, zinc and aluminum are deleteriously attacked. For further information circle No. 1496 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Aluminum Alloy

A new aluminum alloy developed to compete with mild steel in fabrication and welding costs, has been announced by Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. It is available in "O" and H-113 temper plate ranging in gage from 0.250 to 2 in. and standard lengths in widths from 12 to 90 in. Nominal composition is 4.45% magnesium, 0.8% manganese, and 0.1% chromium.

This non-heat-treatable alloy can be welded at high speeds with inert-gas arc welds having an ultimate tensile strength of 42,500 psi. Joint efficiencies vary from 75 to 100% depending on temper of parent metal. Welds were obtained in all positions of welding. No preheating was necessary and distortion presented no problem.

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	H-113	O
Weight, lb. per cu. in.	.096	.096
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Compressive yield strength, psi.	33,000	22,000
Elongation, % in 2 in.	16	21

Heating Furnace

A large electric steel forging furnace which will heat billets in controlled atmosphere for a 50,000-ton forging press, has been announced by C. I. Hayes, Inc. It was installed at the Wyman Gordon Co. and built for the Air Force heavy press program. The heating chamber will accommodate 10,000 lb. of steel billets up to 16 ft. in length at one time, bringing them to a temperature of 2400° F.

Suggested applications include such marine uses as decks, hatch covers, masts, bulkheads, superstructures and hulls. Automotive parts, structural towers for TV, railroad cars, chemical storage tanks are possibilities.

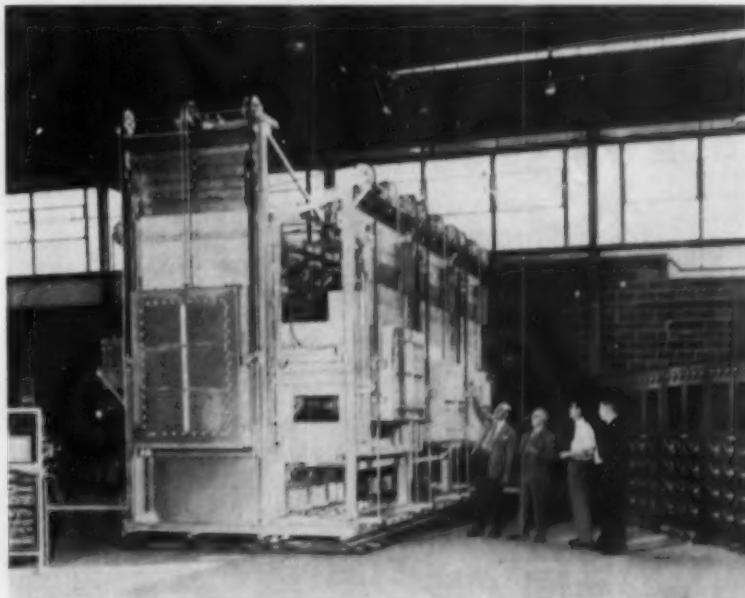
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Plating Solution Filter

A new self-cleaning pressure filter for use in plating operations has been announced by the U. S. Hoffman Machinery Corp. The new filter has a stainless steel, wire-wound cylinder which supports the filter media. It does not require filter bags, sheets or

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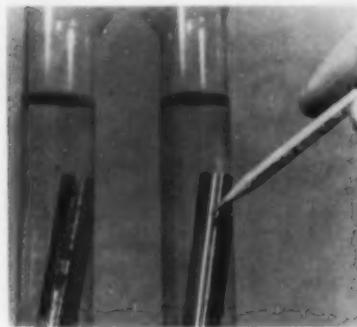
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pads. A new backwashing device which accomplishes filter cleaning by turning two valves, filtration at high pressure (up to 125 psi.) without leakage, tank capacities up to 5000 gal., and a longer filtration cycle made possible by the increasing density of the filter cake are featured.

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Cutting Compounds

Shell Oil Co. has announced a new entirely synthetic cutting compound which offers several advantages over conventional petroleum-base cutting fluids. The working solution prepared from this liquid has exceptional cool-

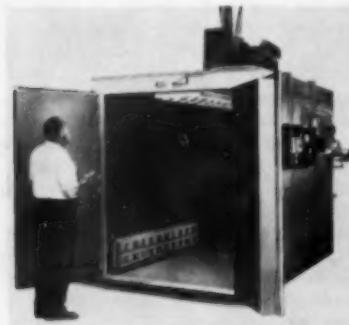


ing properties, higher speeds and feeds are thus possible, resulting in greater production rates. Dromus Oil E dissolves in water, forming a true solution instead of an emulsion. The new product may be mixed with a large volume of water to utilize the latter's very high cooling effect.

For further information circle No. 1500 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Batch-Type Ovens

A standard line of batch ovens, available with either gas or electric heat source, has been announced by Grieve-Hendry Co. These ovens are adaptable for burn-off in preparation



for painting and finishing. Other uses include baking all new types of finishes, preheating, drying, curing, dehydrating and all types of baking

operations. Air circulation is automatic, both horizontal and vertical, completely surrounding the work to assure uniform temperature. Gas models have Eclipse gas burners with electric push-button ignition and safety pilot. Electric models have Inconel-sheathed heating elements with outside terminals and are equipped with high and low heat switch. Other features include indicating temperature controller, combustion safety system and gas controls.

For further information circle No. 1501 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Timer

An automatic reset timer with dial setting for timing and sequencing of electrical load circuits on industrial machinery and process operations has been announced by Automatic Temperature Control Co. Applications listed by manufacturer are vacuum metallizing, bonderizing, photography, honing, lapping, grinding and die casting.

Timer mounts into single round cutout 3 3/16 in. in diameter and is secured in place by tension studs on back-up ring held in position by O-ring retainer. It can be installed into panels up to 1/2 in. thick.

For further information circle No. 1502 on literature request card, page 36-B.



Refractory

A new silicon carbide refractory capable of withstanding temperatures under load up to 3000° F. has been announced by Electro Refractories & Abrasives Corp. The refractory slabs are used in kilns for firing porcelain-ware. Slab sizes used in field tests ranged from 8 x 10 x 1/2 in. thick to 16 x 18 x 1/2 in. thick. In other applications, sizes as heavy as 23 x 25 x 3 in. thick have been successful. Both the plain silicon carbide and sandwich-type slabs of silicon carbide surfaced with chemically inert refractories have been produced.

For further information circle No. 1503 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Magnesium Alloy Sheet

Brooks & Perkins, Inc., have announced magnesium-thorium alloy HK31 sheet and plate with 3% thorium and 1% zirconium. The thorium alloys of magnesium were formerly available only as castings. These alloys have high tensile strength and creep resistant properties at 300 to 700° F. They are particularly useful for jet engine and missile applications, where they fill a gap in light weight

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Dipping Baskets

The Chas. Wm. Doepeke Mfg. Co. has announced a new line of perforated stainless steel baskets of all-welded, die-made construction for metal cleaning. Available in five different sizes



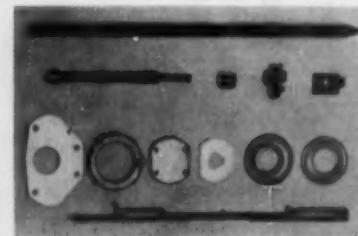
ranging from 12 to 36 in. in length, the units can be supplied in various types of stainless steel as well as in aluminum or cold rolled steel. A variety of perforation sizes is offered. For further information circle No. 1505 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Correction

On page 13 of the April issue, the Charpy impact value of Wearpact steel was given incorrectly. The correct value is 20 ft.-lb. Castings of this alloy steel are made by American Steel Foundries.

Dry Cyaniding

Standard Steel Treating Co. has announced the availability of the dry-cyaniding process. The advantages of the process are illustrated by the automotive oil pump cover. If the part



is carburized to a depth of 0.050 in., 0.020 to 0.030 in. has to be ground off each side to make the parts flat. Grinding reduces the wear resistance be-

cause much of the carbon-rich part of the case has been removed. If the part is dry-cyanided, the stamping is finish ground and then treated. The part is then ready for use. Advantages claimed are stock size can be reduced, amount of grinding is reduced, heat treating is simpler and less expensive and the finished part has greater wear resistance.

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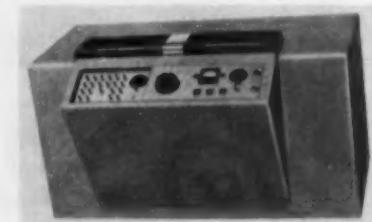
High-Vacuum Pump

A new, completely dry, high-vacuum pump has been announced by Consolidated Vacuum Corp. It combines a titanium evaporation process and ion pumping to produce low pressures (less than 10⁻⁶ mm. Hg) without using refrigerated traps or baffles. It was developed to produce a vapor-free vacuum for the large high-voltage particle accelerators used in atom-smashing. Other potential applications include the evacuation of electron power tubes, color TV tubes, large X-ray tubes and mass spectrometers.

For further information circle No. 1507 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Spectrochemical Source Unit

Recent improvements in their Multisource unit have been announced by Applied Research Laboratories. High and low voltage circuits and d-c. arc elements are each packaged and wired separately, providing a new unity of construction. The resulting flexibility enables the Multi-



source to perform either as a special purpose source or as a general purpose research instrument, through addition or subtraction of components. A patented principle for obtaining identical powers in each spark gives the unit reproducible voltage range of 850 to 20,000 volts. Solids, liquids and powders, with elements in wide ranges of concentration, can be analyzed.

For further information circle No. 1508 on literature request card, page 36-B.

pH Meter

Photovolt Corp. has announced a large-size indicating meter of 7 in. scale length which covers the pH range from 0 to 14 without switching



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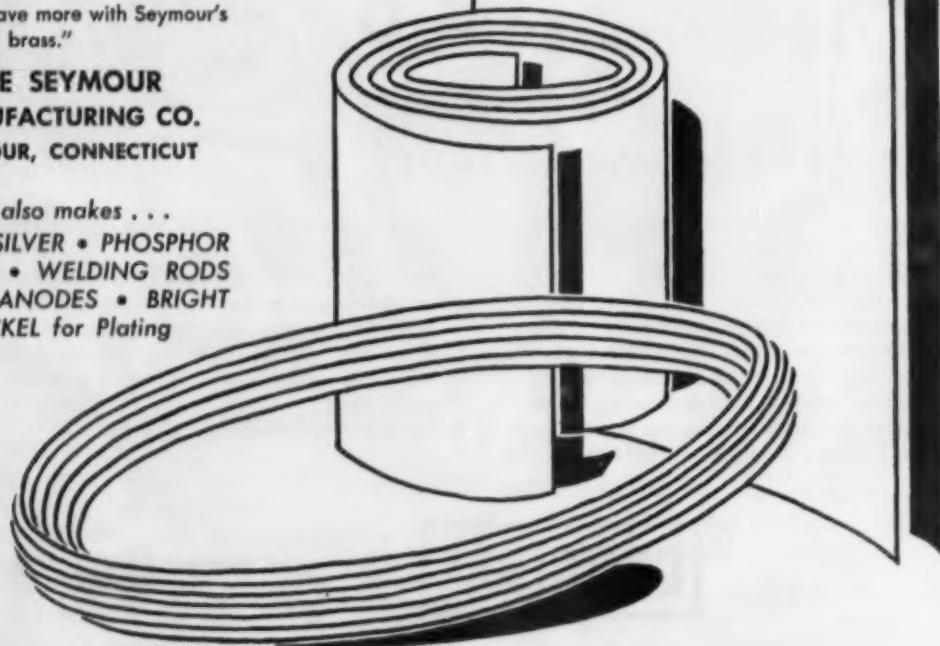
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and without reversal of the pointer travel. The instrument can be furnished in a portable shape with baseboard and carrying cover. The available accessories include a swing-arm adapter for immersing the electrodes by tilting motion and a shielding hood for use of unshielded electrodes.

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Portable Oven

The Carl Mayer Corp. has announced a new portable industrial oven for use in production and laboratory work. These cabinet ovens are avail-



able with either horizontal or vertical air flow. They employ a high pressure motor driven blower to propel the heated air in a definite air-flow pattern through the work chamber. Other features of the ovens include no metal-to-metal contact, high and low heat switch for close control and quick recovery, electrical interlock for turn-off of heat in case of blower motor failure and Inconel-sheathed heating elements.

For further information circle No. 1510 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Testing Machine

A portable hydraulic testing machine of 60,000 lb. capacity in tension and compression has been announced by Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp. The



new testing machine is able to apply both tension and compression in a common testing space over a fixed

table 24 in. above the floor. A double-acting hydraulic capsule is used in the weighing system which is separate and independent of the hydraulic loading system. A standard null-balance indicator on the control console has three ranges—0 to 60,000, 0 to 12,000 and 0 to 2400 lb. The testing machine can be operated as far as 25 ft. from a stationary control console but both units may be mounted on casters.

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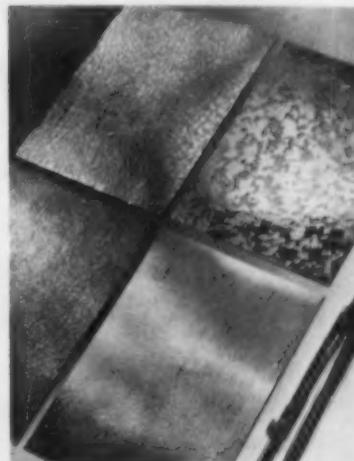
Cemented Carbide

A new sintered carbide material for cutting, heavy roughing and finishing of steel at increased rates of productivity on both high and low-speed machines has been announced by Kennametal, Inc. K21 has a Rockwell hardness of A-91.5 and high transverse rupture strength.

For further information circle No. 1512 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Embossed Strip

A new pattern designed strip steel has been announced by Pittsburgh Steel Co.'s Thomas Strip Div. The patterns are rolled into cold rolled strip steel in almost any design that can be drawn on a piece of paper. The



strip can be supplied in plain uncoated steel or electrolytically coated with copper, brass, nickel, chromium, zinc or lead alloy. It can be hot dip coated with lead alloy or tin, and lacquer coated. Strip is being produced in widths up to 18 in. and in a range of thicknesses from 0.010 to 0.125 in. depending on the pattern, the type of coating and the finish required.

For further information circle No. 1513 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Low-Temperature Chamber

Tenney Engineering, Inc., has announced the first self-contained table-

model low-temperature test chamber. Measuring only 29 1/2 x 57 x 30 1/2 in. and weighing but 450 lb., this model produces temperatures to -100° F. and will dissipate 1000 Btu. per hour



at -80° F. It also produces high temperatures to 212° F. The cascade system of refrigeration is used. This system actually embodies two inter-linked refrigeration circuits, the evaporator of one being the cooling element of the condenser of the second. The refrigeration tubing encircles the 1 x 1 ft. work space instead of being arranged in a bank along one side as is customary. Heating is accomplished by nonglowing, low surface-temperature heaters located in the rear of the chamber.

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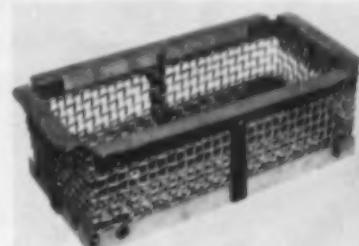
Crucibles

Electro Refractories & Abrasives Corp. has announced large carbon-bonded silicon carbide crucibles made to handle as much as 1100 lb. of molten aluminum. They are almost three times the size of the customary pots, which hold only up to 400 lb. of aluminum. These crucibles are manufactured by an improvement on the age-old pottery technique of spinning. This imparts a laminated structure that increases the strength and flexibility of the crucibles.

For further information circle No. 1515 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Heat Treating Fixtures

Cambridge Wire Cloth Co. has announced the development of a new design for fixtures for annealing, carburizing, carbonitriding and other bulk heat treating operations. Non-binding joints employ tubular rivets and loosely-fitting spacer sleeves to



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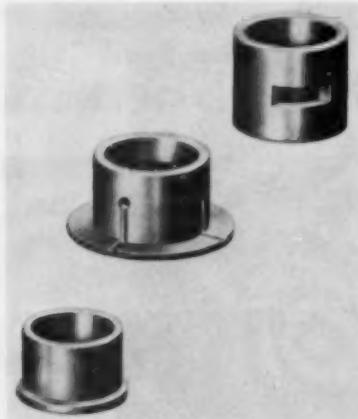


replace the welded, soldered and other fixed joints formerly used in heat treating trays. Specific allowances for thermal expansion and contraction provide free movement of all joints during heating and cooling. The new design decreases the basket-load weight ratio.

For further information circle No. 1516 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Bearing Alloy

Bunting Brass & Bronze Co. has announced a new, silvery white bearing metal alloy developed for bearing installations in modern food processing machines. It combines satisfactory anti-friction bearing qualities, high resistance to corrosion and good ap-



pearance. The chemical composition of Bunting No. 183 is 63 to 67% copper, 3 1/2 to 4 1/2% tin, 3 to 5% lead, 6 to 10% zinc and 19 1/2 to 21 1/2% nickel. It has a tensile strength of 30,000 psi., yield strength of 17,000 psi., elongation 8% in 2 in. and Brinell hardness of 95.

For further information circle No. 1517 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Cutting Fluid

Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Co. has announced a synthetic, water-soluble cutting fluid for increasing tool life 300 to 500% in machining titanium. The fluid forms a clear solution with all proportions of water and this permits visibility of work being cut, formed or ground. Uncon H-660 can also be used on carbon, alloy and stainleas steels and nonferrous alloys. For further information circle No. 1518 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Measuring Machine Speeds

Development of a Celerimeter for the measurement of very high machinery speeds has been announced by Lake Erie Engineering Corp. It will give the straight-line speed of moving sections of fixed machinery and equipment. The Celerimeter is portable and



capable of measuring speeds ranging from 5 to 30,000 in. per min. The synchronous-motor indicator measures 1/100 sec. intervals. The complete unit weighs 28 1/2 lb. and is supplied in a case measuring 9 x 9 x 21 in. It operates on 110 volts, 60 cycles.

For further information circle No. 1519 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Optical Pyrometer

Light in weight and easy to use, the Mason Instrument Co. has announced an optical pyrometer for the 1000 to 2500° F. range. It is fully portable and requires no connection of any kind. One pyrometer can monitor the temperature of any number of kilns or furnaces. The 9-in. long scale is easily read to within 10° F. in a matter of



seconds by a simple brightness match, and a built-in calibrating meter assures accuracy. The eyepiece can be focused.

For further information circle No. 1520 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Spectrophotometer

A new infrared recording spectrophotometer for either quantitative or qualitative analysis has been announced by Baird Assoc. Design of the unit provides 1 min. interchange of prisms. Use of four prisms—sodium chloride, calcium fluoride, lithium fluoride and potassium bromide—gives this model a spectral range of 1.5 to

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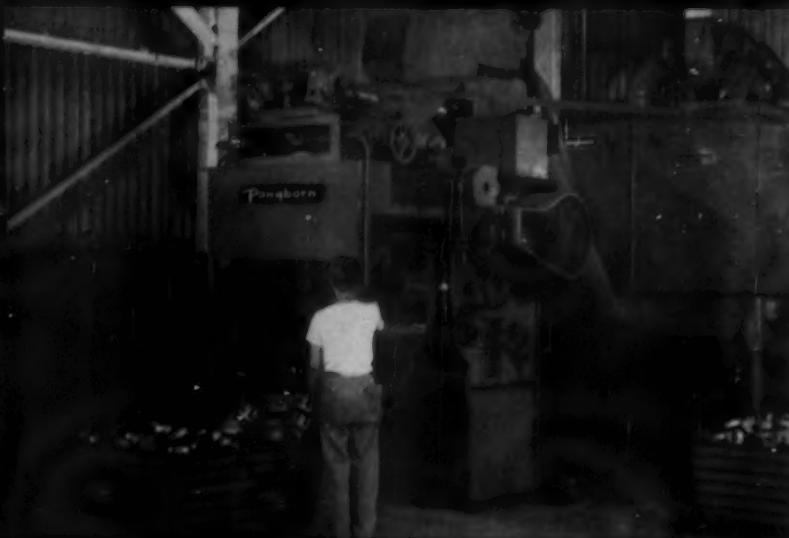
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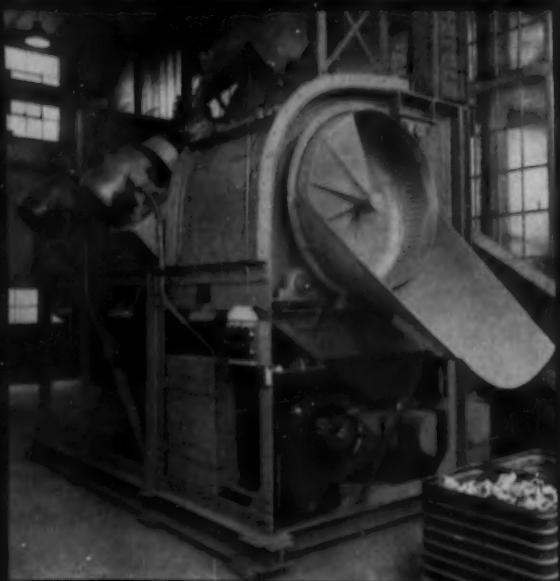
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26 microns. It is claimed that the spectrophotometer will produce up to 100 complete spectra in a 24 hr. period. For further information circle No. 1521 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Filter

A new 800 gal. per hr. capacity filter with a new stainless steel-cloth bag element or porous stone has been announced by Bart-Messing Corp. The filter element is fastened to the hand tightened cover, and can be lifted out manually for quick and thorough washing. The portable filter requires only 50 in. of head room and measures 32 in. in diameter at the base. All working parts are suspended underneath the tank to protect them from dirt and drippings. Units are constructed of extra-low-carbon stainless steel and are furnished complete with operating valves, motor and pump.

For further information circle No. 1522 on literature request card, page 36-B.



Induction Heater

A low-frequency induction heater, which will handle magnesium billets or rectangular slabs up to 32 in. in largest section by 71 in. long, has been announced by Magnethermic Corp. The heater will preheat magnesium



billets for a 13,000-ton horizontal extrusion press. The unit is rated at 2000 kw., operates on 4160 volts, 3 phase, 60 cycles and will heat up to 10 tons of magnesium an hour.

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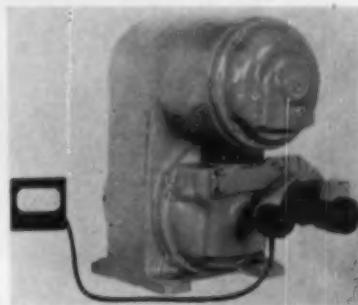
Stripper

Enthone, Inc., has announced a powder that speeds the action of acids for dissolving defective chromium and nickel from copper-base metals without injuring the base metals. It has been used successfully by manu-

facturers of radio and electronic equipment, household appliances, cameras, office and business machinery and automobile parts. This dry powder is added to certain acids to increase the rate of dissolving on nickel and chromium thousands fold. For further information circle No. 1524 on literature request card, page 36-B.

Speed Indicator

Sterling Electric Motors, Inc., has announced that the Speed-Trol variable speed drive can now be equipped with a direct pick-up electric Tachometer. The device includes a signal generator and speed indicator. Standard calibration of the indicator is in



revolutions per minute and it can also be furnished calibrated in various units of production such as feet per minute, gallons per hour, cubic feet per minute. Speed-Trols are available in ratings from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 30 hp. in standard, single, double or triple reduction drives.

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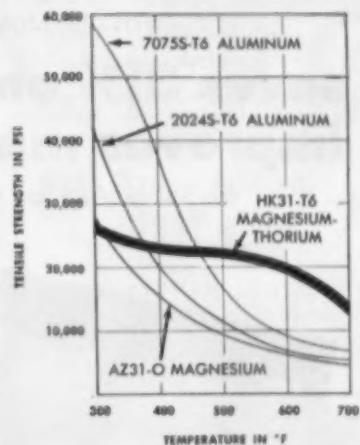
Indicator

A new precision indicator has been announced by the General Electric Co.'s Instrument Department. It is designed to scan a number of process variables by the use of a manual switching arrangement on the front panel. The precision indicator may be used with provision for measuring up to 48 different circuits, or in conjunction with a multi-point strip-chart recorder to obtain an intermittent record. The instrument incorporates a magnetic standard to provide continuous measurement and standardization. It is available in two basic types, d.c. potentiometer or a.c. bridge, and it can be provided as a single-point or multiple-point instrument.

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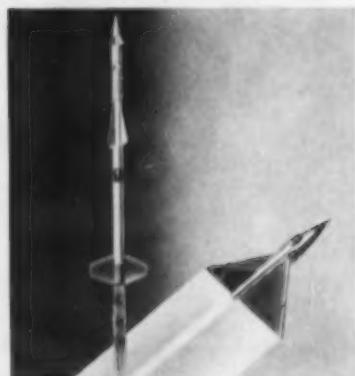


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Data folders on two types of alloy steel castings. Composition, properties, hardenability bands, uses. *Unitcast*

1537. Alloy Steel

32-page book on abrasion resisting steel. Properties, fabricating characteristics, uses. *U. S. Steel*

1538. Alloy Steel

Data book on the selection of the proper alloy steel grades for each manufacturer's needs. *Wheelock, Lovejoy*

1539. Alloy Steel

16-page book on type 9115 low-alloy high-strength steel. Properties, fabrication, welding. *Great Lakes Steel*

1540. Alloy Steel

40-page book on applications of heat treated, special alloy steel. *Jones & Laughlin*

1541. Aluminum

12-page booklet on extruded shapes, tube and pipe, coiled sheet, forgings and properties of aluminum alloys. *Revere*

1542. Aluminum Cleaning

48-page booklet gives practical tips on materials and methods of cleaning aluminum and magnesium. *Oakite*

1543. Aluminum Finish

Bulletin on new invisible finish for aluminum describes Alodine No. 1000 and includes flow sheet for immersion process. *American Chemical Paint*

1544. Aluminum Forgings

12-page booklet on press forgings, impact extrusions and hand forgings. Properties of aluminum forging alloys. *Harvey Aluminum*

1545. Ammonia Atmospheres

12-page bulletin B-52 on dissociated ammonia furnace atmospheres. *Drever*

1546. Ammonia Dissociators

Bulletin on dissociating process gives advantages of ammonia as controlled atmosphere. *Sargent & Wilbur*

1547. Atmosphere Furnace

Bulletin on controlled atmosphere furnace. *Industrial Heating Equipment*

1548. Atmosphere Furnace

Information on mechanized batch-type atmosphere furnaces for gas cyaniding, gas carburizing, clean hardening or carbon restoration. *Dow Furnace*

1549. Atmosphere Generator

Bulletin on laboratory size dissociated ammonia generator. *Beder Scientific*

1550. Atmospheres

8-page Bulletin SC-155 discusses following controlled atmospheres: RX, DX, NX, HNX, AX, HX. Compositions, applications, effects on steel, drawings of generators. *Surface Combustion*

1551. Barrel Finishing

32-page handbook on compounds for descaling, deburring, coloring, metal cleaning and rust inhibition. *Lord Chem.*

1552. Basic Materials

24-page booklet on Alundum, Crystolon, Magnorite, Norbide, zirconia, carbide,

borides and other basic materials. Products made from them are listed. *Norton*

1553. Bearing Puller

Folder on tool for extracting ball and roller bearings. *Engineering Imports*

1554. Be-Cu, Wrought

"Applications Unlimited", collection of case histories on successful uses of wrought beryllium copper. *Beryllium*

1555. Beryllium Copper

Bulletin 1 on available alloys, conditions, tempers and tables of sizes and properties. *Penn Precision Products*

1556. Bimetal Applications

36-page booklet, "Successful Applications of Thermostatic Bimetal", describes 22 uses. *W. M. Chace*

1557. Black Oxide Coatings

8-page booklet on black oxide coatings for steel, stainless steel and copper alloys. *Du-Lite*

1558. Blackening Compounds

Bulletin on blackening compounds for ferrous alloys to AMS Spec 3485. *Swift Industrial Chemical*

1559. Boiler Refractories

New 20-page bulletin on boiler refractories discusses basic requirements of refractories, what causes refractories to fail, kinds of insulating firebrick. *Refractories Div., Babcock & Wilcox*

1560. Brass

New 20-page pocket-size booklet on brass rod mill products. Weight tables, specifications. *Titan Metal Mfg.*

1561. Brass Tubing

Bulletin on seamless, brazed and lock-seam tubing in brass and copper. *H & H Tube and Mfg.*

1562. Braze

Folder on low-temperature brazing tells how to boost brazing production. *Handy & Harman*

1563. Braze

Bulletin 124—on salt bath brazing process—shows how it is possible to substitute brass for copper and develop joints of adequate strength for most steel assemblies. *Ajax Electric*

1564. Braze Titanium

Data sheet on use of a new flux for brazing titanium. *Handy & Harman*

1565. Bronze

Folder gives tables of properties, uses, forms and other data on phosphor bronzes. *Chase Brass & Copper Co.*

1566. Buffing Compounds

Bulletin B-7 lists various compounds and gives applications. *Apothecaries Hall*

1567. Bulb Thermometers

44-page catalog covers selection data, recorders and indicators, controls, psychrometers, bulbs, tubing and fittings. *Minneapolis-Honeywell*

1568. Burners

8-page reprint No. 43 on Method for Improving Temperature Uniformity in Furnaces. *North American Mfg.*

1569. Carbides

84-page catalog of sintered carbides, hot

pressed carbides, cutting tools, drawing dies, wear resistant parts. *Metal Carbides*

1570. Carbon Control

Technical report on instrument for control of carbon potential of furnace atmospheres. *Lindberg Eng'g*

1571. Carbonitriding

Literature on Ni-Carb (carbonitriding) treatment for surface hardening. *American Gas Furnace*

1572. Carburizing

This 48-page booklet is a discussion of the nickel-copper, high strength, low alloy steels sold under various trade names, such as Cor-Ten, Mayari-R, Yoloy and others. Compositions range from 0.40 to 2.00% nickel and from 0.25 to 1.30% copper. Other alloying elements used are



manganese, silicon, phosphorus, sulphur and in some types small amounts of chromium and molybdenum. Tensile strength is 70,000 psi. min., yield point, 50,000 psi., min., and elongation in 2 in. is 22%. Cold forming, hot forming, machining, punching, shearing and welding are discussed. A large section of the booklet deals with the corrosion resistance of the copper-nickel steels. Advantages of these steels are cited. Applications in railroad cars, trucks, busses, ships, mining and construction equipment, bridges, agricultural equipment and others are discussed and illustrated.—*International Nickel Co.*

1573. Cemented Carbides

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1575. Charging

12-page brochure on eight models of charging machines for heating and melting furnaces. *Salem-Brosius*

1576. Chromate Finishing

File on chrome conversion coatings for prevention of corrosion and paint-base treatment of nonferrous metals. *Allied Research Products*

1577. Cleaners

Bulletins on di-phase cleaners, specifications, equipment, advantages. *Solventol*

1578. Cleaning

Data on chemical for removing scale, rust and paint from ferrous alloys. *Kelite*

1579. Cleaning Aluminum

12-page bulletin on cleaning process for preparing aluminum and magnesium for welding. *Northwest Chemical*

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New folder on adhesives, coatings and sealers for joint-sealing, bonding and protecting sheet metal. *Minnesota Mining and Mfg. Co.*

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12-page bulletin on properties and uses of continuous cast bronze rod and tube. *American Smelting & Refining*

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New 12-page bulletin 5A-13 on pneumatic indicating controller for control of process variables. *Foxboro*

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Bulletin 1060 on millivoltmeter controllers gives specifications and models. *Minneapolis-Honeywell*

1584. Controllers

16-page educational bulletin No. 9 gives data, operation diagrams, schematic drawings of capacitors. *Wheelco Instruments*

1585. Controllers

Data sheets on indicating pyrometric controllers, proportioning controllers, portable controllers, pyrometer accessories. *West Instrument*

1586. Controls

Bulletin 2101 on application of Honeywell temperature controls, limit controls, valves and combustion safeguards to Maxon Premix industrial gas burners. *Minneapolis-Honeywell*

1587. Copper Alloys

New 48-page book contains tables of alloys with composition, typical uses, general, working, mechanical, electrical properties, hardness, ASTM specification numbers. *Revere*

1588. Copper Alloys

40-page book on eleven copper alloys. Properties, cleaning, annealing. *Seymour*

1589. Corrosion Data

Data Card 160 gives comparative resistance to various corrosive media of several stainless steels. *Babcock & Wilcox*

1590. Corrosion Resistance

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1591. Creep Testing

6-page bulletin diagrams and describes dynamic creep testing machine. *Ivy Co.*

1592. Creep Testing

Data on operation and instrumentation of Arcweld lever arm creep testing machine. *Minneapolis-Honeywell*

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1595. Cutting Tools

36-page booklet analyzes and compares carbon, high speed, cast alloy and carbide tool materials. *Allegheny Ludlum*

1596. Degreaser

40-page book on properties and use of trichlorethylene. Methods of handling and safety measures. *Niagara Alkali*

1597. Degreasing

New bulletin 953-1 on vapor degreasing and advantages. *Equipment*. *Ramco*

1598. Degreasing

34-page booklet on vapor degreasing. Design, installation, operation and maintenance of equipment. *Circo Equipment*

1599. Demineralizer

New 20-page catalog on demineralizers which heat up to 2500 gal. per hr. Dimensional and performance data. *Barnstead Still & Sterilizer*

1600. Descaling Stainless Steel

Bulletin 25 on descaling stainless steel and other metals in molten salt. *Hooker Electrochemical*

1601. Design of Dies

32-page bulletin on design of dies for upset forging. Also rules for upsetting and examples of forgings. *Ajax Mfg.*

1602. Die Casting

Bulletin on high-pressure hydraulic die casting machine. Convertible from hot metal to cold chamber machine. *Cleveland Automatic Machine Co.*

1603. Die Casting

Booklet on "High-Speed Precision Die Casting Machines". *Reed-Prentice*

1604. Die Castings

Set of five design standards for tolerances on die castings of zinc, aluminum, magnesium and copper. *American Die Casting Institute*

1605. Die Steel

Bulletins on air-hardening, high-carbon, high-chromium die steel containing sulphide additives. *Latrobe*

1606. Dryers

24-page bulletin No. 222 shows installations of air drying equipment in various industries. *Pittsburgh Electrodryer*

1607. Electric Furnaces

New bulletin on electric heat treating furnaces gives summary of progress in furnace developments. *Holcroft*

1608. Electric Furnaces

Brochure on electric heat treating, melting, metallurgical tube, research and sintering furnaces. *Pereny Equipment*

1609. Electric Melting

Bulletin 527 on compact arc furnace. Melt time and power consumption for four alloys. *Detroit Electric Furnace*

1610. Electron Microscope

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Bulletin on application of industrial filters to oil quenching process. Experience with two applications. Industrial Filtration Co.

1618. Finishing

Two 8-page bulletins on dip tank and flow coat finishing describe processes, advantages and disadvantages of two processes. Du Pont Finishes Div.

1619. Finishing

Six bulletins describing finishing compounds for stainless steel, aluminum, other metals. Apothecaries Hall

1620. Finishing

Bulletin 331 on silicone-base heat-resistant finish. Midland Ind. Finishes

1621. Flame Hardening

New 20-page catalog on flamatic hardening machines and allied equipment. Cincinnati Milling Machine Co.

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Bulletin 201 on flow meter for gas used in heat treating. Waukeet Eng'y

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1624. Forging Hammers

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1626. Forgings

94-page book on die blocks and heavy-duty forgings. 20 pages of tables. A. Finkl & Sons

1627. Foundry Coatings

Data on colloidal graphite for mold washes, pattern coatings, core coatings, chill coatings. Acheson Colloids

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1629. Furnace Fixtures

16-page catalog on baskets, trays, fixtures and carburizing boxes for heat treating. 66 designs. Stanwood Corp.

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16-page "Maintenance Guide for Electric Heat Treating Furnaces" on preventive program. Hevi Duty Electric

1631. Furnaces

Folder describes complete set up for heat treatment of small tools, including draw furnace quench tank and high temperature furnace. Waltz Furnace

1632. Furnaces

40-page book describes gas and electric furnaces and applications. Four basic types of atmospheres. Glossary of heat treating terms. Westinghouse

1633. Furnaces

Data on electric furnaces of top or side loading types. Lucifer Furnaces

1634. Furnaces

Bulletin on specially designed continuous production furnaces for brazing, sintering, bright annealing, heat treating, bar heating, melting, forging. Harper Electric Furnace Corp.

1635. Furnaces

44-page Catalog 112 features furnaces for hardening, tempering, carburizing, forge heating, sintering, annealing and tool heat treating. Also atmosphere generators and ammonia dissociators. C. I. Hayes

1636. Furnaces

16-page Bulletin 135 on industrial furnaces and atmosphere generators. Continuous systems. Continental Industrial Engineers

1637. Furnaces

Catalog on furnaces for tool room and general purpose heat treat. Cooley

1638. Furnaces

Folder on new sizes, specifications for soft metal reverberatory furnaces. Eclipse Fuel Engineering

1639. Furnaces, Heat Treating

32-page catalog on high-speed gas furnaces for heat treating carbon and alloy steels; also pot furnaces for salt and lead hardening. Charles A. Hones

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1643. Gamma Radiography

12-page booklet on setting up and operating a gamma radiography installation. Technical Operations

1644. Gamma Radiography

8-page catalog on gamma-ray radiography with radioactive cobalt 60 and iridium 192. Mitchell Radiation Products

1645. Gas Generator

Bulletin G-16A on gas-fired and electric endothermic generators. Specifications. Ispen Industries

1646. Globar Furnaces

Bulletin 153 describes nine types of furnaces using silicon carbide heating elements for temperatures to 2600° F. Hevi Duty

1647. Gold Plating

Folder on salts for bright gold plating. Equipment needed. Sel-Rex

1648. Graphite

6-page revised bulletin No. 435 on colloidal graphite for surface coatings and impregnation. Acheson Colloids

1649. Graphite

New 20-page brochure on significance of graphite as electrodes, anodes, molds and specialties in electrometallurgy and electrochemistry. Great Lakes Carbon

1650. Graphite Molds

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magnesium, steel, copper, brass and other metals. *National Carbon*

1651. Graphitic Tool Steels

48-page booklet on heat treating data, properties and 46 specific applications of graphitic tool steel. *Timken*

1652. Grinding Magnesium

Data on how to grind and polish magnesium alloys includes grinding wheel recommendations, procedures, dust collection and safety precautions. *Norton*

1653. Handling Devices

Pamphlets on clamps for lifting and handling. Their application to various industries. *Merrill Bros.*

1654. Hard Surfacing

40-page hard facing manual tells what metals can be hard faced, how to select right hard facing material, lists step-by-step procedures and industrial applications. *Haynes Stellite*

1655. Hardness Tester

20-page book on hardness testing by Rockwell method. *Clark Instrument*

1656. Hardness Tester

Bulletin on hardness tester for all regular and superficial Rockwell tests. *Kent Cliff Div., Torsion Balance Co.*

1657. Hardness Tester

Literature on Brinell testing machines. *Detroit Testing Machine Co.*

1658. Hardness Testers

20-page bulletin on models, applications and how to use superficial hardness testers. *Wilson Mechanical Instrument*

1659. Heat Treating

Loose leaf data sheets on heat treating oils, salts, carburizing compounds. *Park Chemical*

1660. Heat Treating

8-page bulletin on continuous heat treating. Flow diagrams, equipment. *Surface Combustion*

1661. Heat Treating

New 20-page catalog on the Homocarb method with Microcarb atmosphere control for heat treatment of steel. *Leeds & Northrup*

1662. Heat Treating Baskets

12-page bulletin on wire mesh baskets for heat treating and plating. *Wiretex*

1663. Heat Treating Belts

Catalog of conveyor belts and data for their design, application and selection. *Ashworth Bros.*

1664. Heat Treating Equipment

4-page folder on 17 different types of industrial heat treating equipment. *Ferguson Equipment Corp.*

1665. Heat Treating Fixtures

24-page catalog on heat and corrosion-resistant equipment for heat treating and chemical processing. 30 classifications of equipment. *Pressed Steel*

1666. Heat Treating Guide

Chart guide constructed on slide rule principle for simplified hardening and drawing of tool steels. *Carpenter Steel*

1667. Heat Treating Pots

Bulletin 110 gives data on sizes and shapes of cast nickel-chromium solution pots. *Fahralloy*

1668. Heaters

New folder on uses and various forms of fused quartz radiant heaters. *Cleveland Process Co.*

1669. Heating Elements

24-page Bulletin H on electric heating elements. Includes extensive tabular data

on physical and electrical specifications for various sizes. *Globar Div.*

1670. High Alloy Castings

New 16-page bulletin, No. 3354-G, gives engineering data concerning castings used for resisting high temperatures, corrosion and abrasion. *Duraloy Co.*

1671. High-Speed Steels

New bulletin on free machining tool steels and die steels. Descriptions, composition, heat treatment. *Vanadium Alloys Steel*

1672. High-Speed Tools

Folder on forged high-speed steel tools. *Nelco Tool Co.*

1673. High-Temperature Belts

New bulletin on belts of high-temperature alloy for heat treat furnaces. *Electro-Alloys Div.*

1674. High-Temperature Belts

24-page bulletin on metal conveyor belts. *Wickwire Spencer*

1675. High-Temperature Steels

87-page book on factors affecting high-temperature properties. 45 pages of data on tensile, creep and rupture properties of 21 high-temperature steels. *U. S. Steel*

1676. Hydrogen Atmosphere

Bulletin on equipment for supplying hydrogen with oxygen content less than one part per million and dew point to -70° F. *Baker & Co.*

1677. Impact Testing

Bulletin on machine for Izod, Charpy and tension testing. *Riehle*

1678. Induction Heating

New 12-page bulletin on low-frequency (60-cycle) induction heating furnace for nonferrous metals. *Magnethermic*

1679. Induction Heating

12-page bulletin B-6519 on motor generator sets, r.f. generators, work stations, handling equipment. *Westinghouse Electric*

1680. Induction Heating

60-page catalog tells of reduced cost and increased speed of production on hardening, brazing, annealing, forging or melting jobs. *Ohio Crankshaft*

1681. Induction Heating

36-page bulletin on high-frequency induction heating unit for brazing, hardening, soldering, annealing, melting and bombarding. *Lepel*

1682. Induction Heating

12-page Bulletin 13-A on high frequency induction furnace for forging, upsetting, spinning, annealing, hardening. *Ajax Electrothermic*

1683. Induction Heating Control

New Bulletin HT-1 on automatic temperature control for induction heating equipment. Types of control, components of induction heaters. *Minneapolis-Honeywell*

1684. Industrial Fans

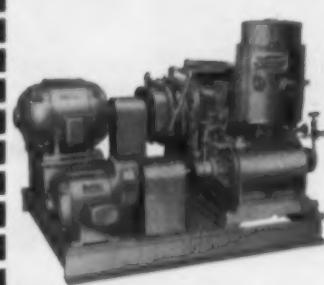
Catalogs on various kinds of industrial fans - exhaust, multiblade, backward curve, for high temperatures. *Garden City Fan*

1685. Insulation

40-page industrial products catalog on insulations, refractory products, and others. *Johns-Manville*

1686. Interference Microscope

Bulletin B-602 describes new Zeiss instrument for fast nondestructive examination and photography for wave-length measuring of surface finishes in the order of one millionth of an inch down to 300 Angstroms. *Bader Scientific Co.*



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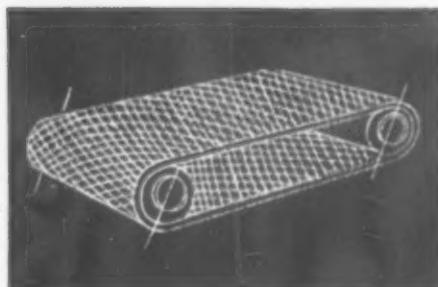
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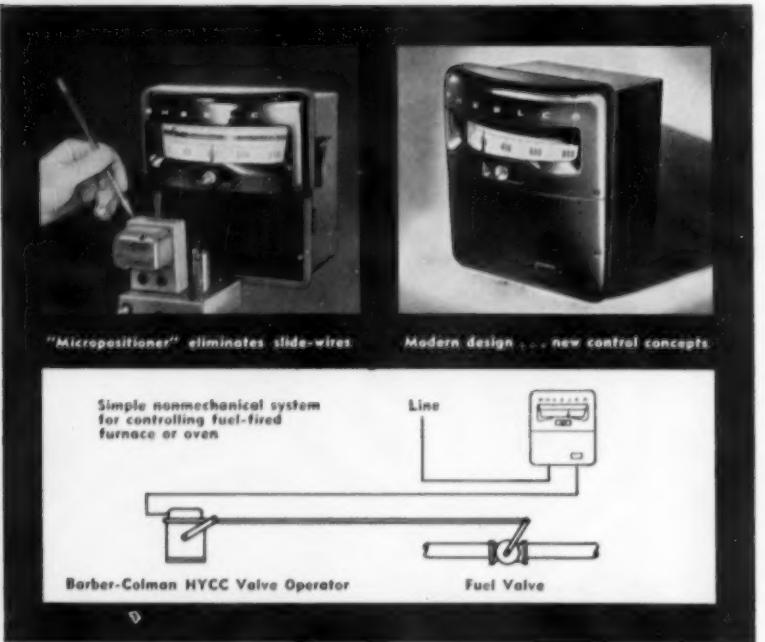


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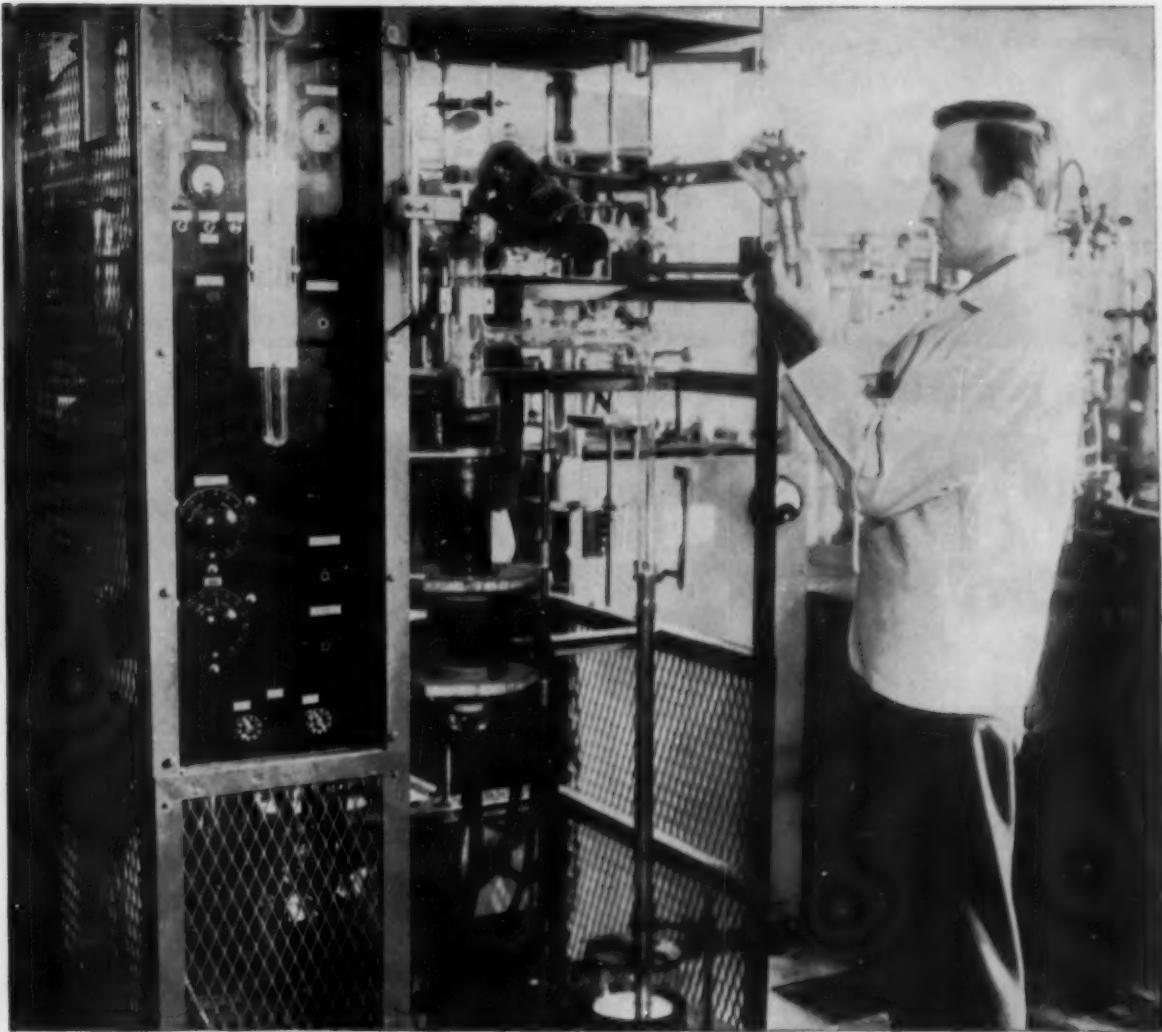
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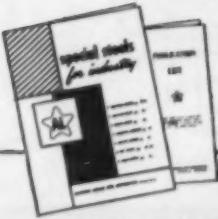
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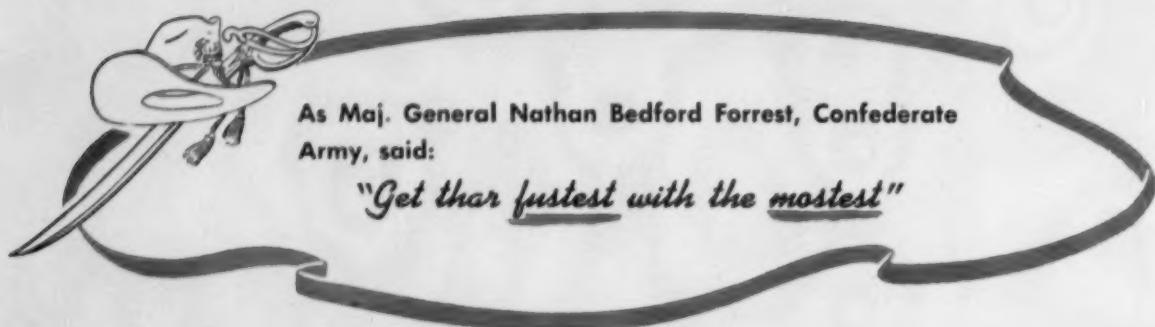
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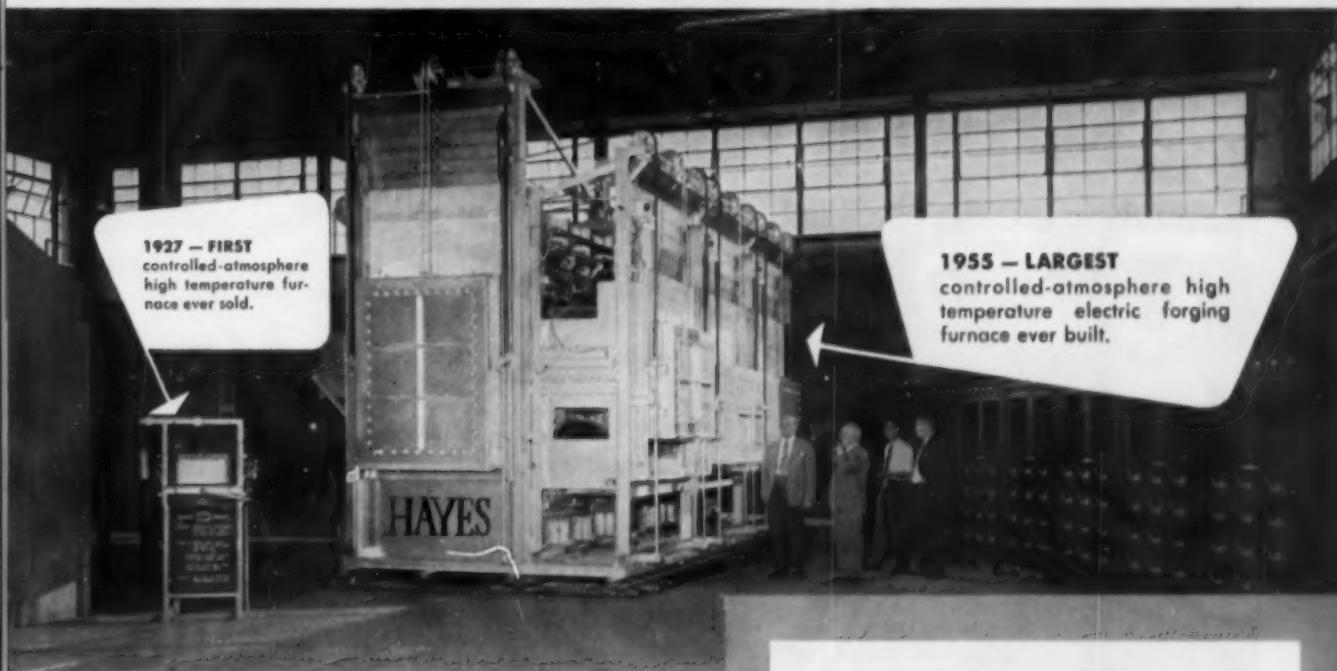


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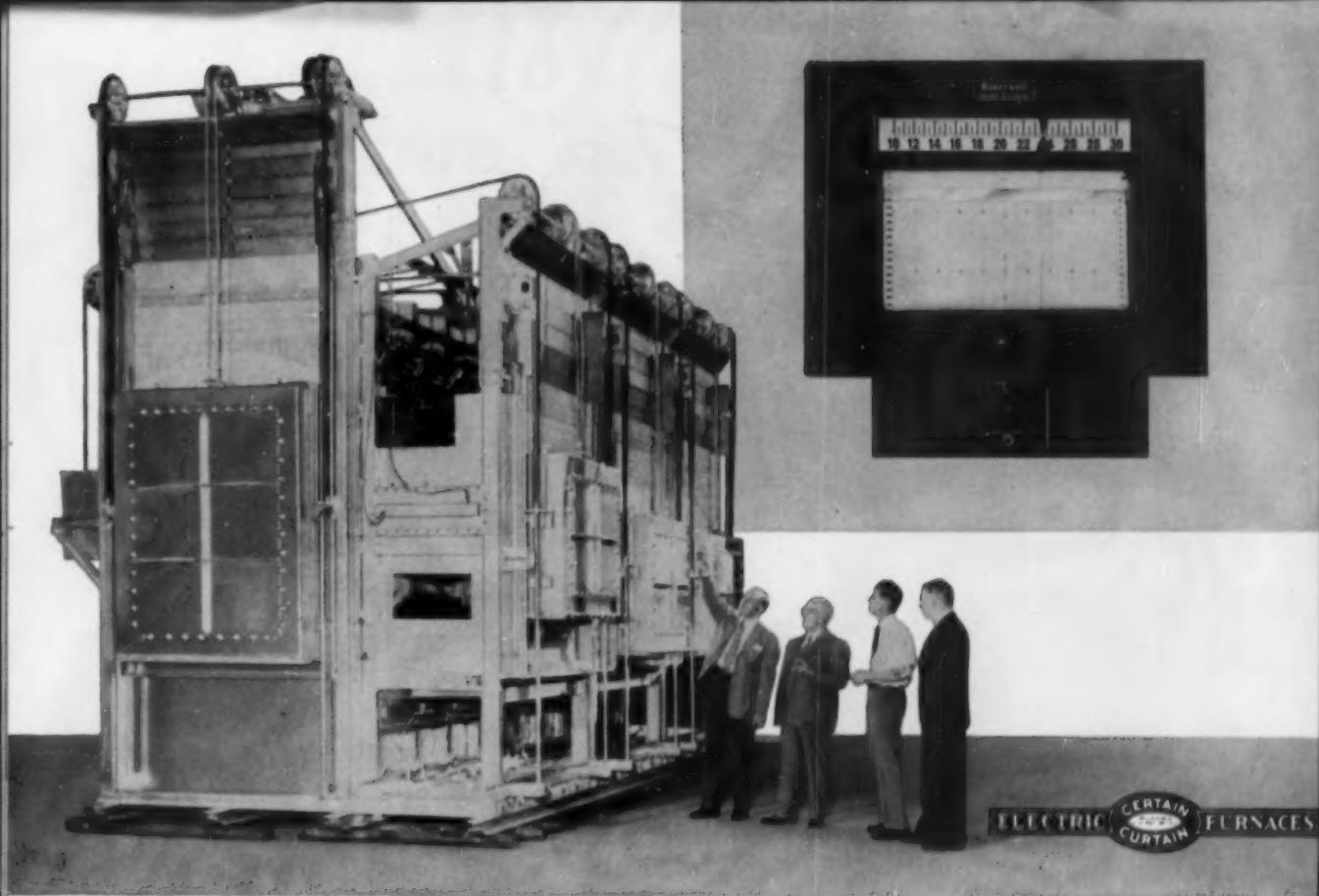
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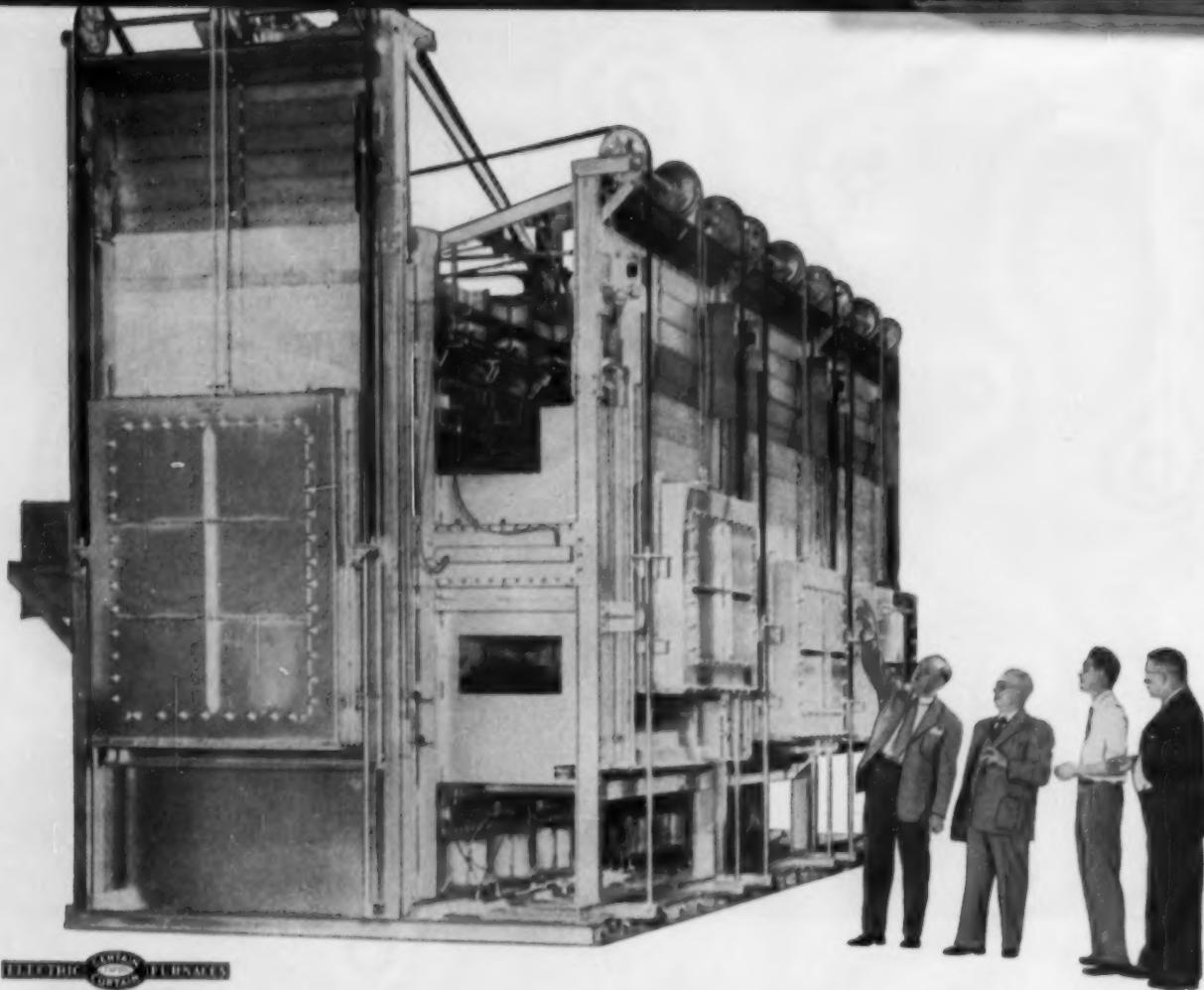
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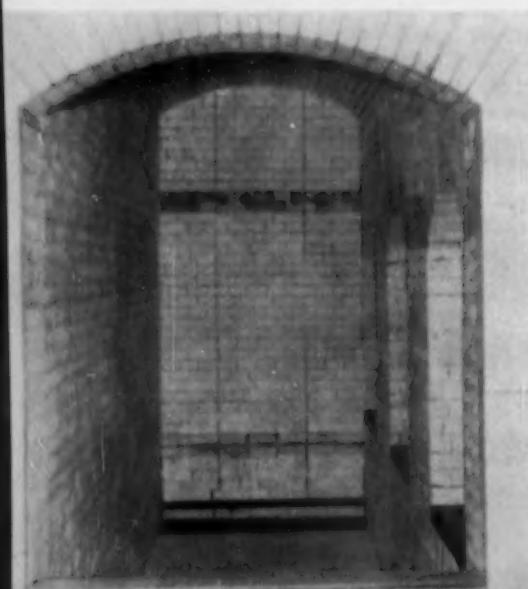
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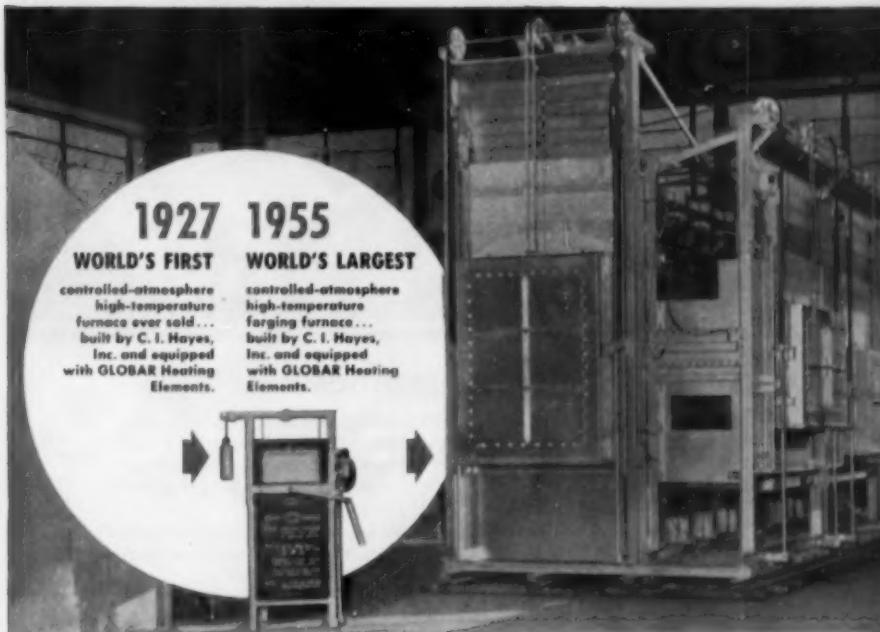
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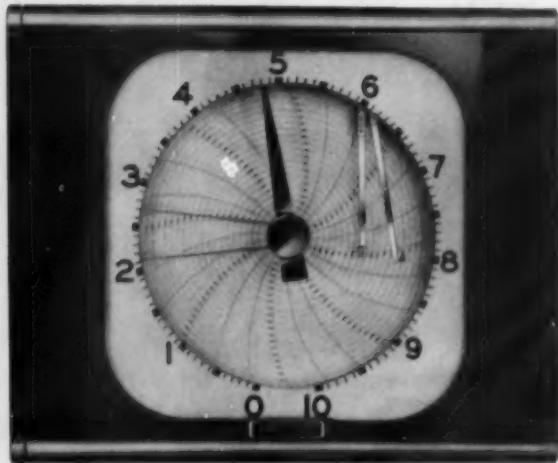
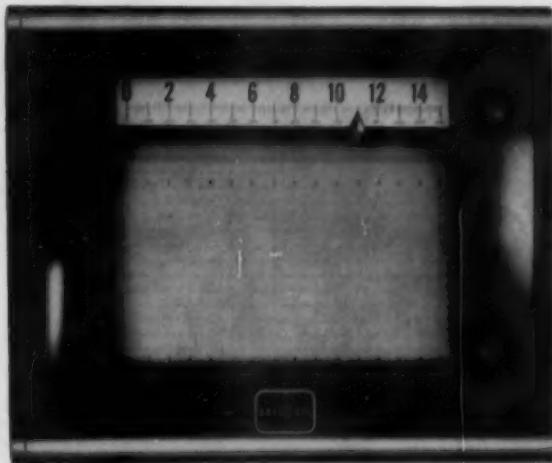
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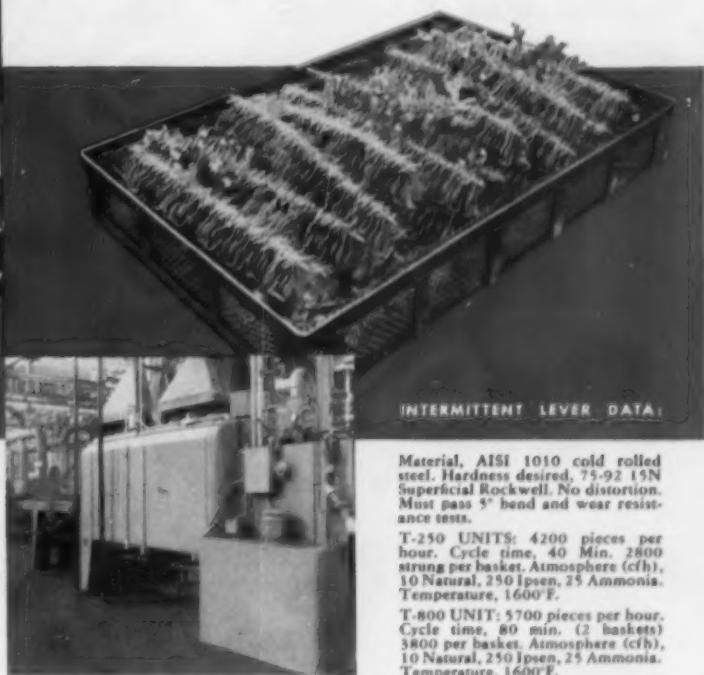


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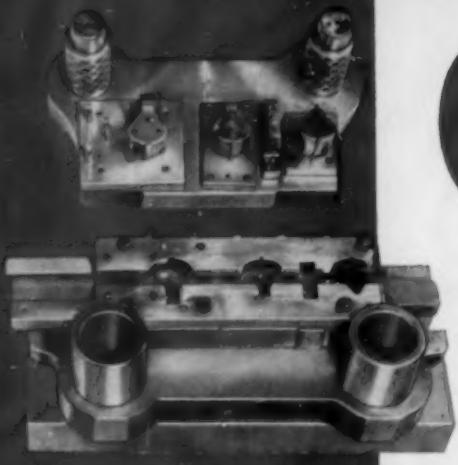
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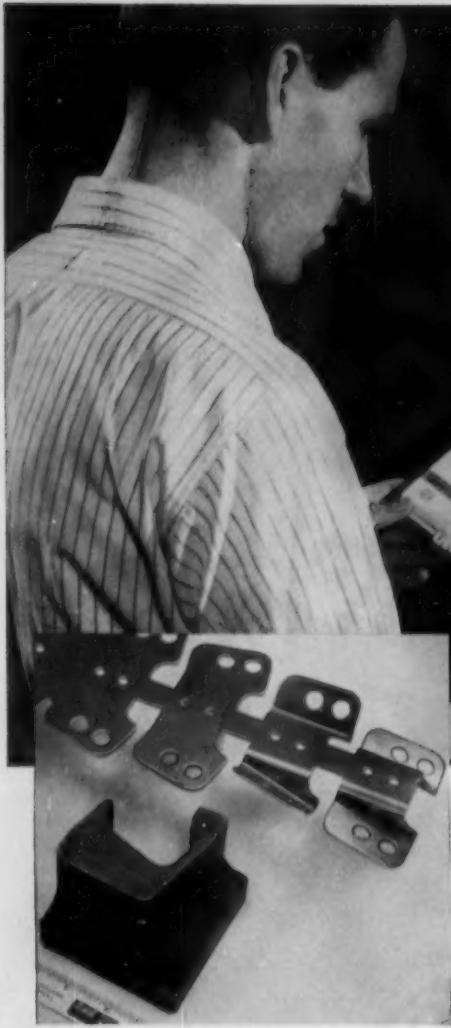
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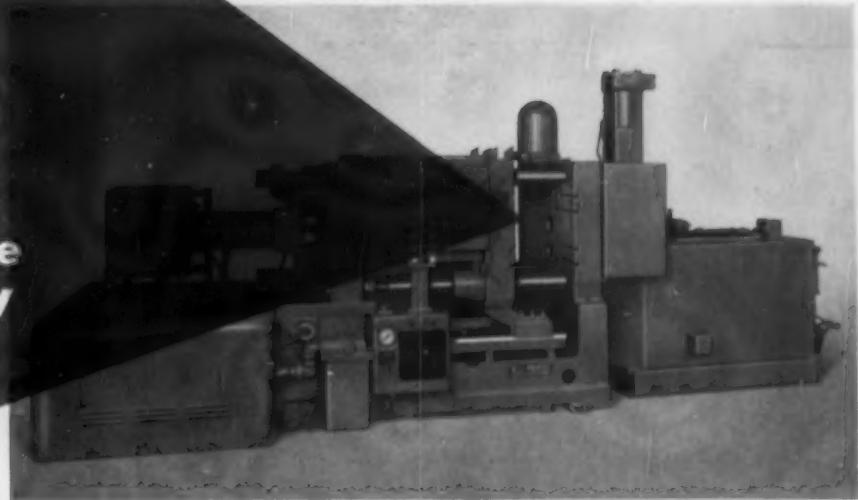
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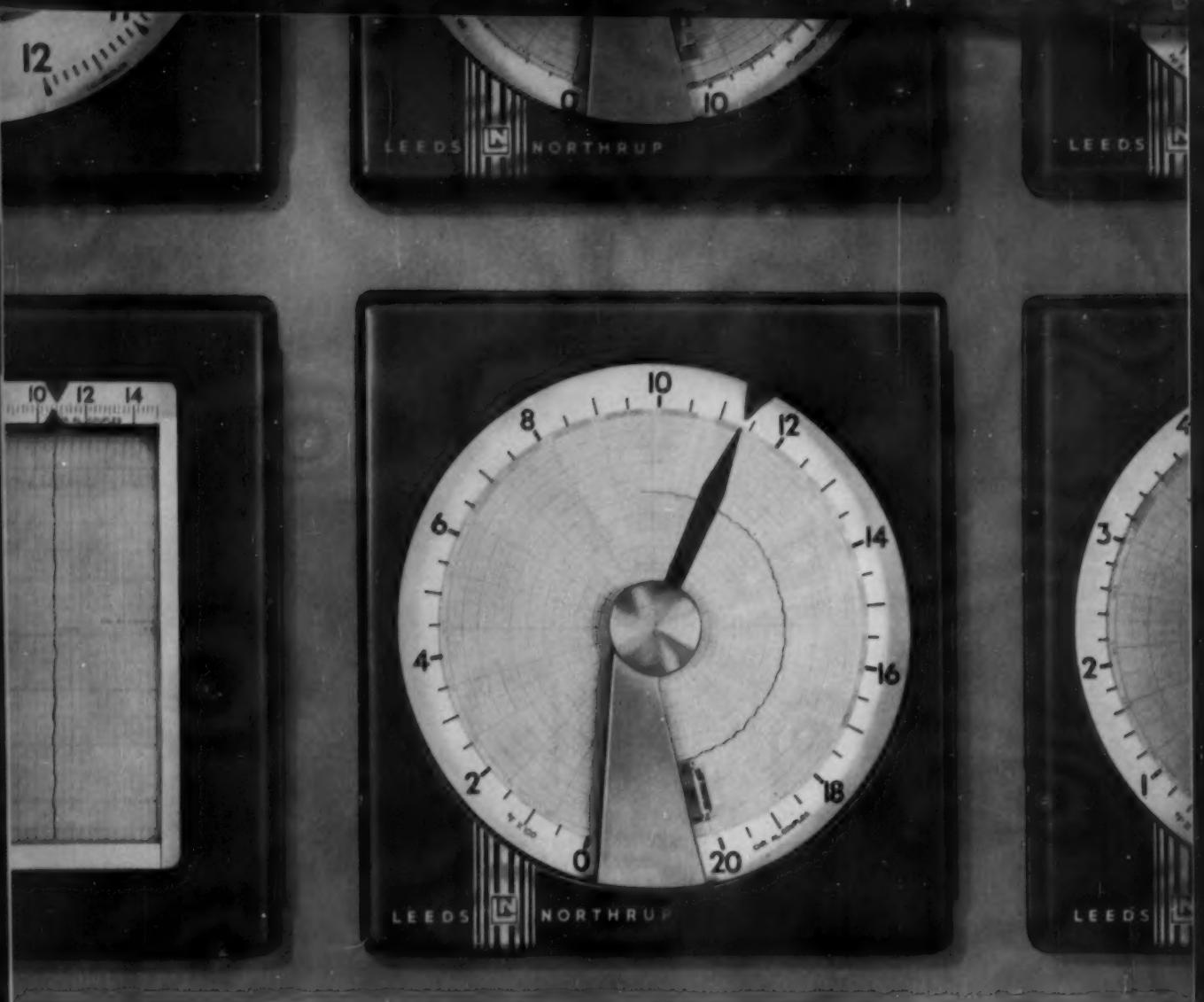
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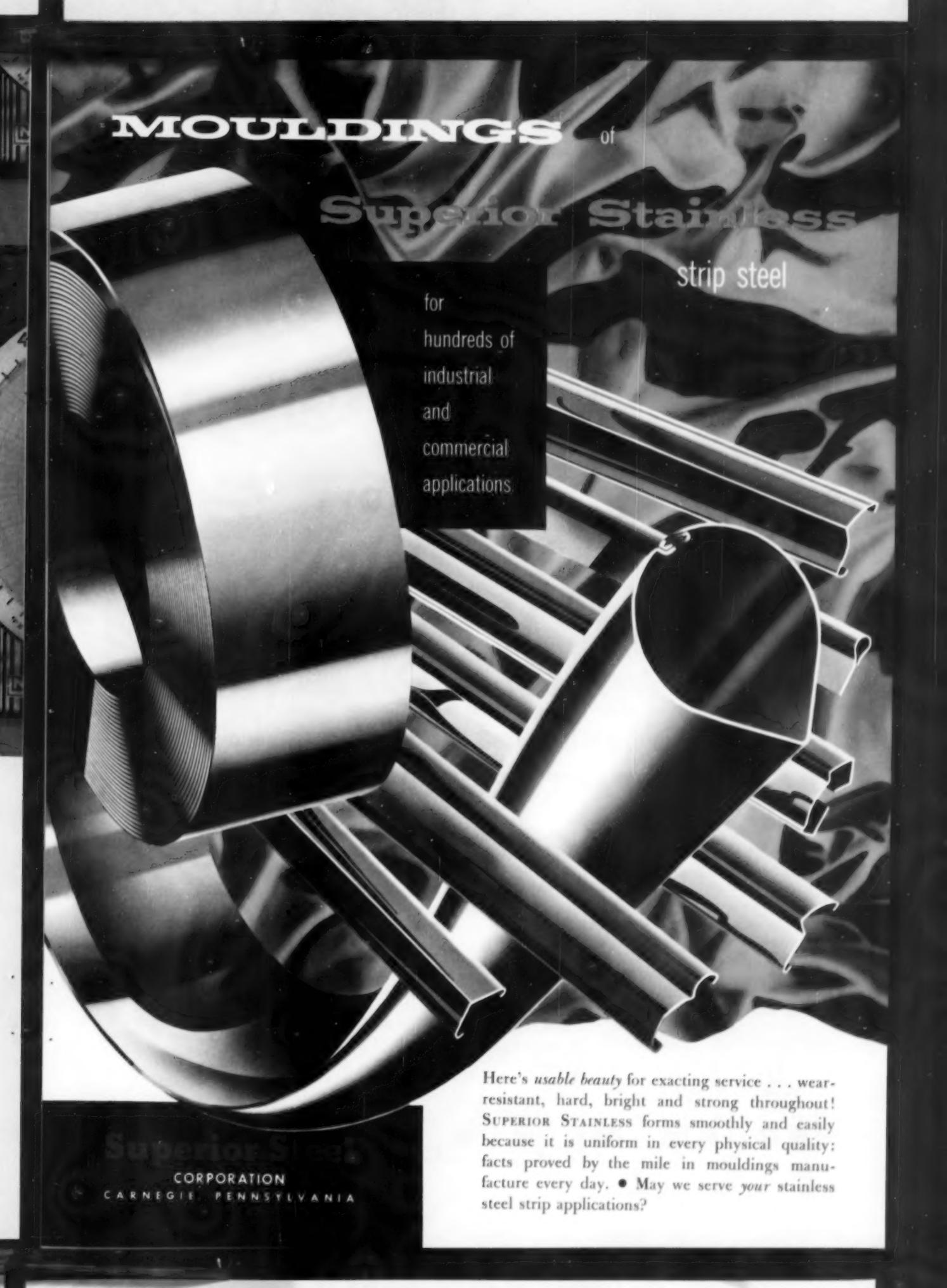
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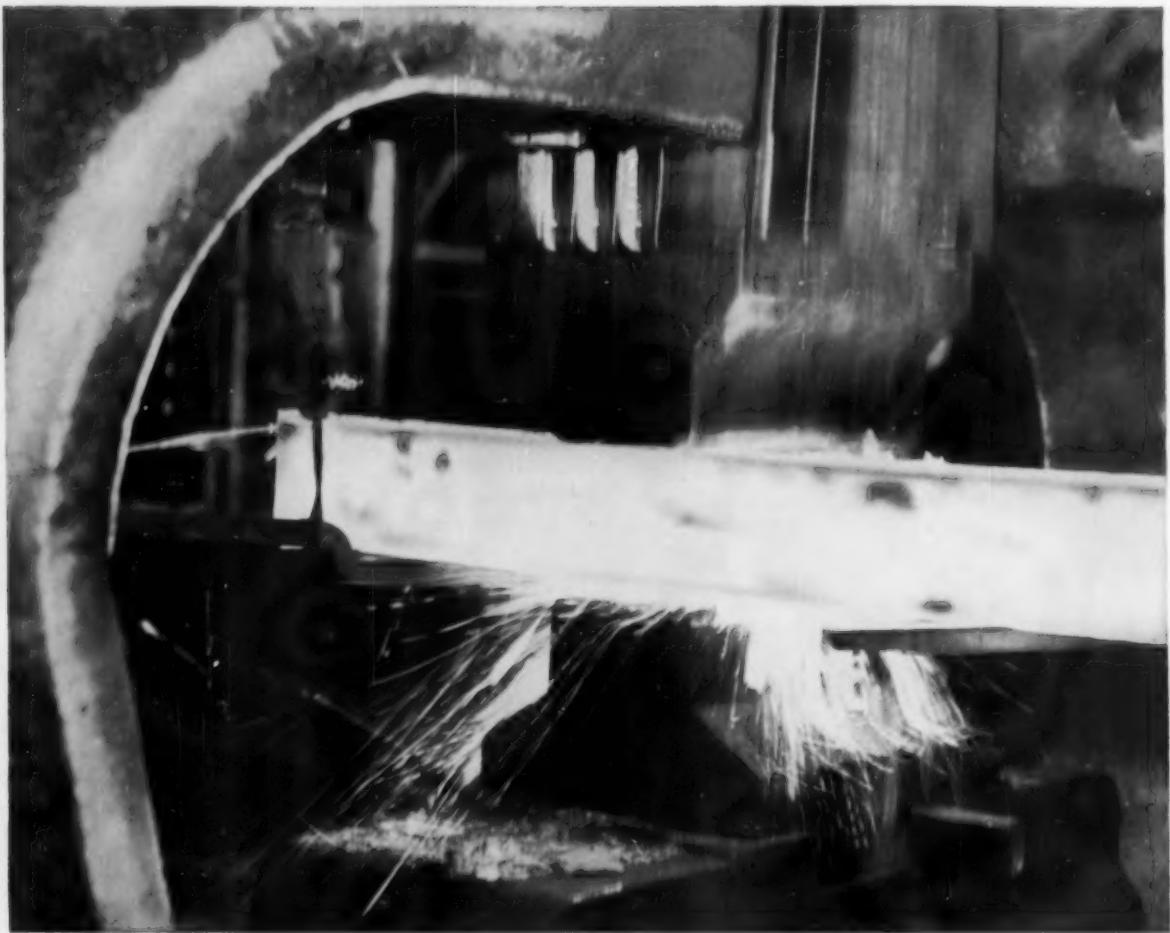
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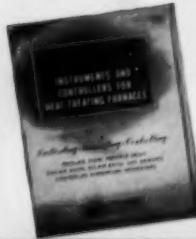
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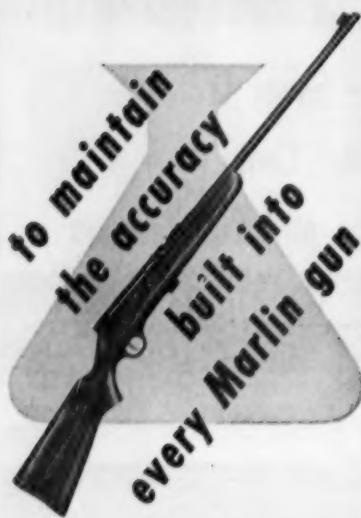
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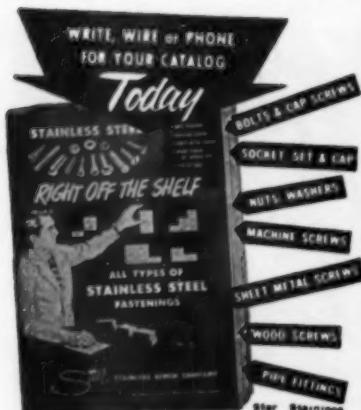
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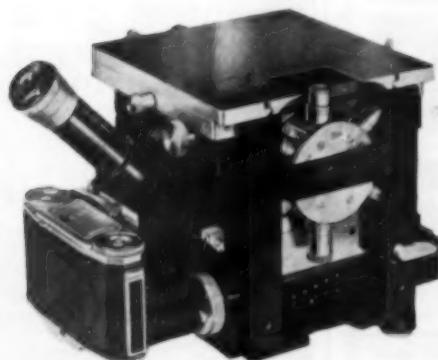
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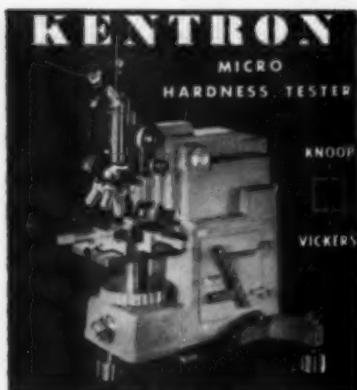
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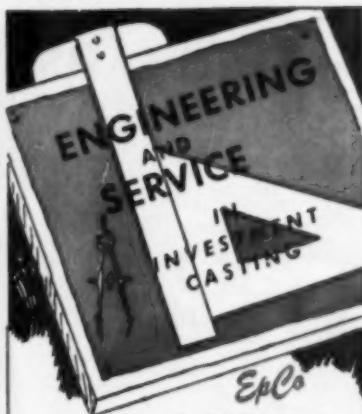
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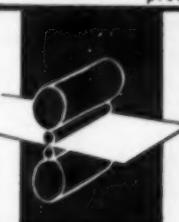
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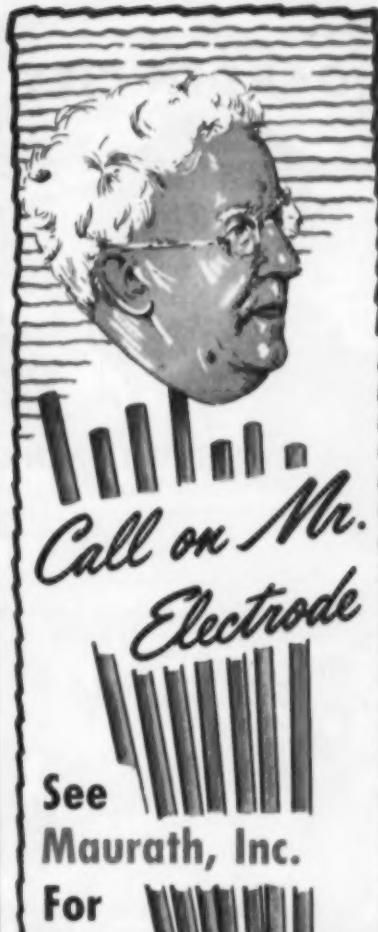
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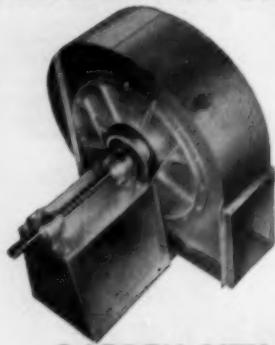
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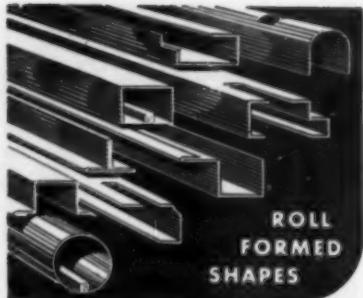
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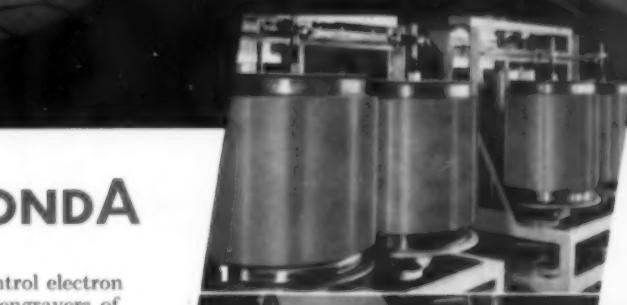
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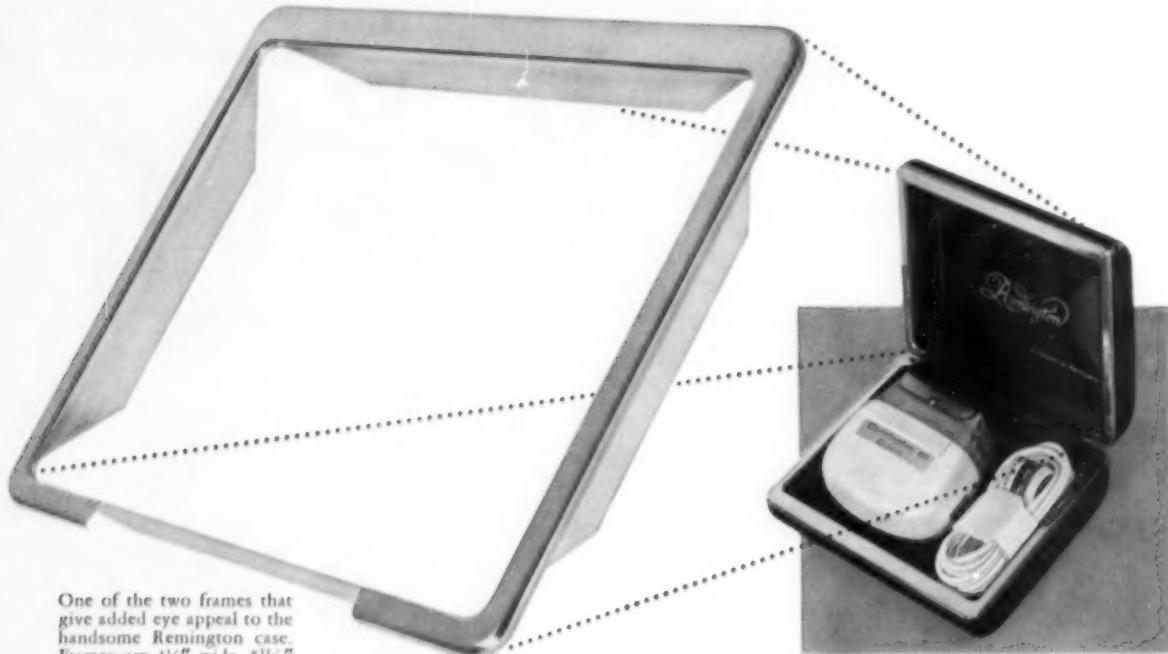
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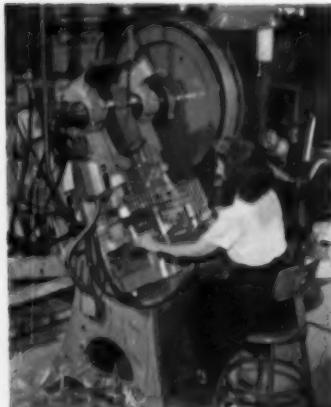
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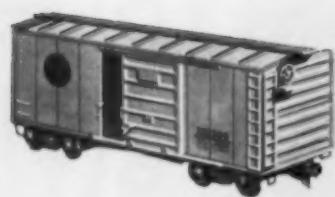


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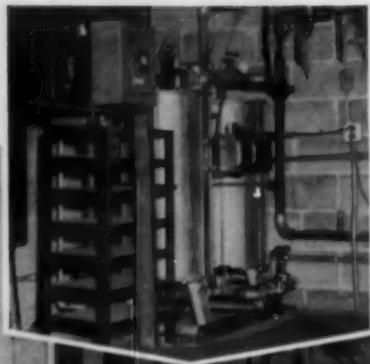
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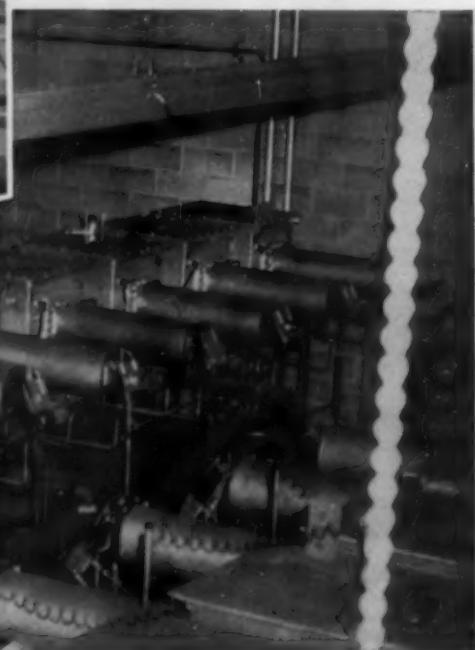
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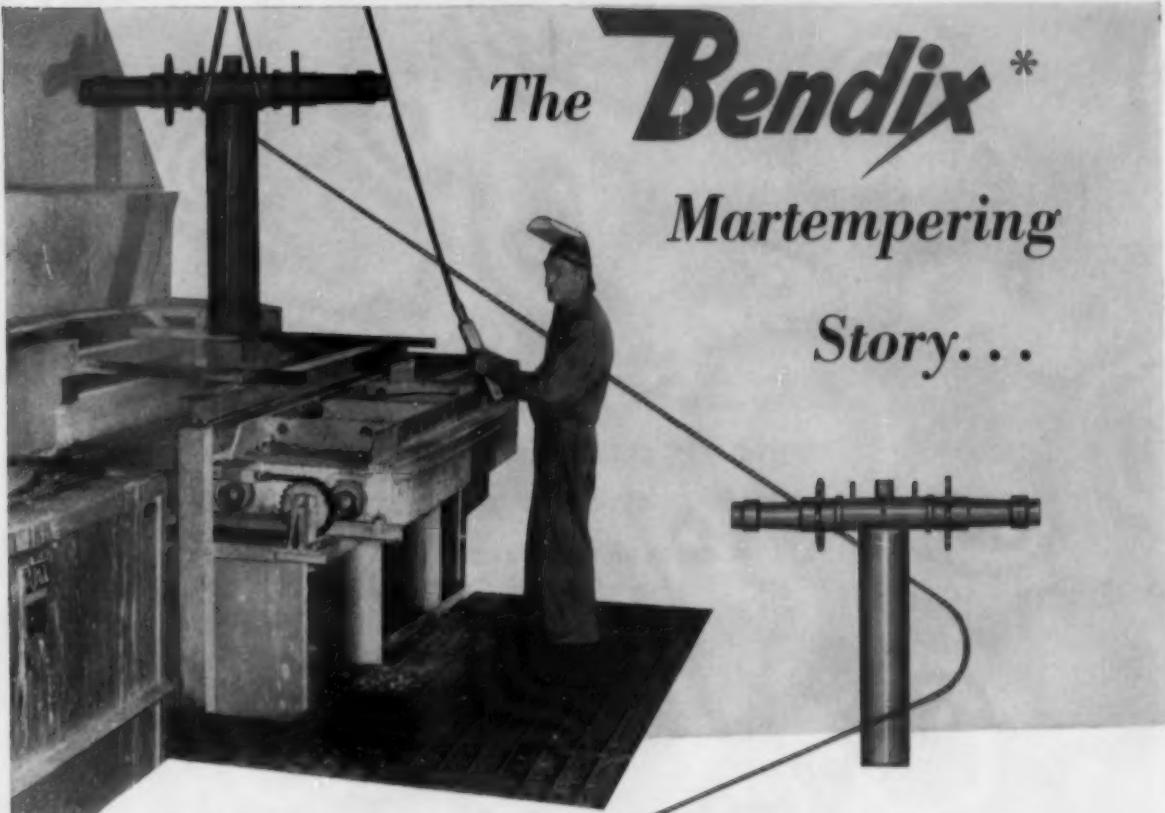
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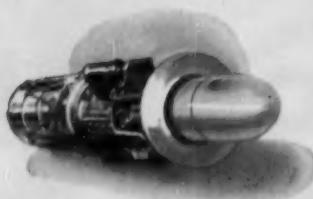
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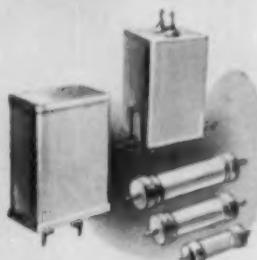
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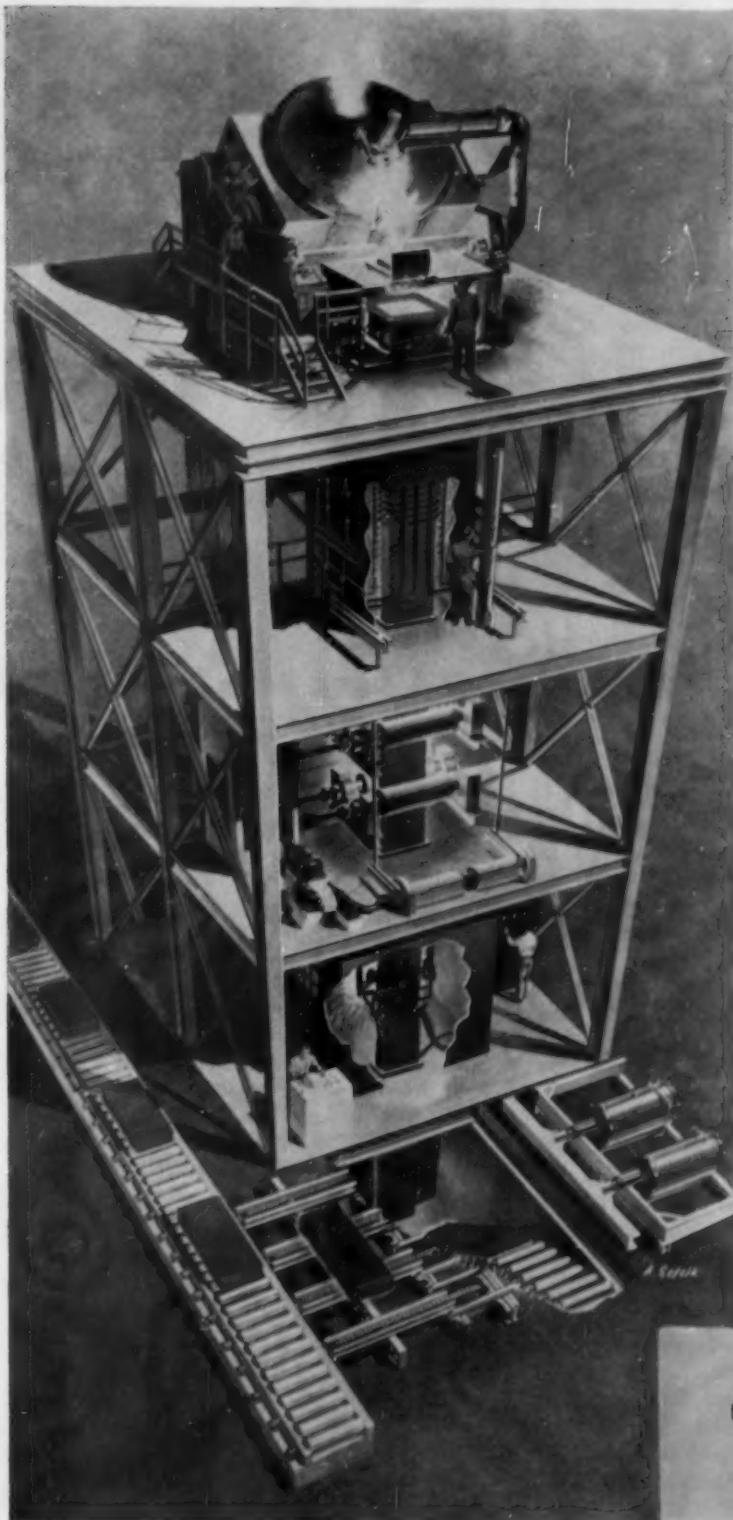
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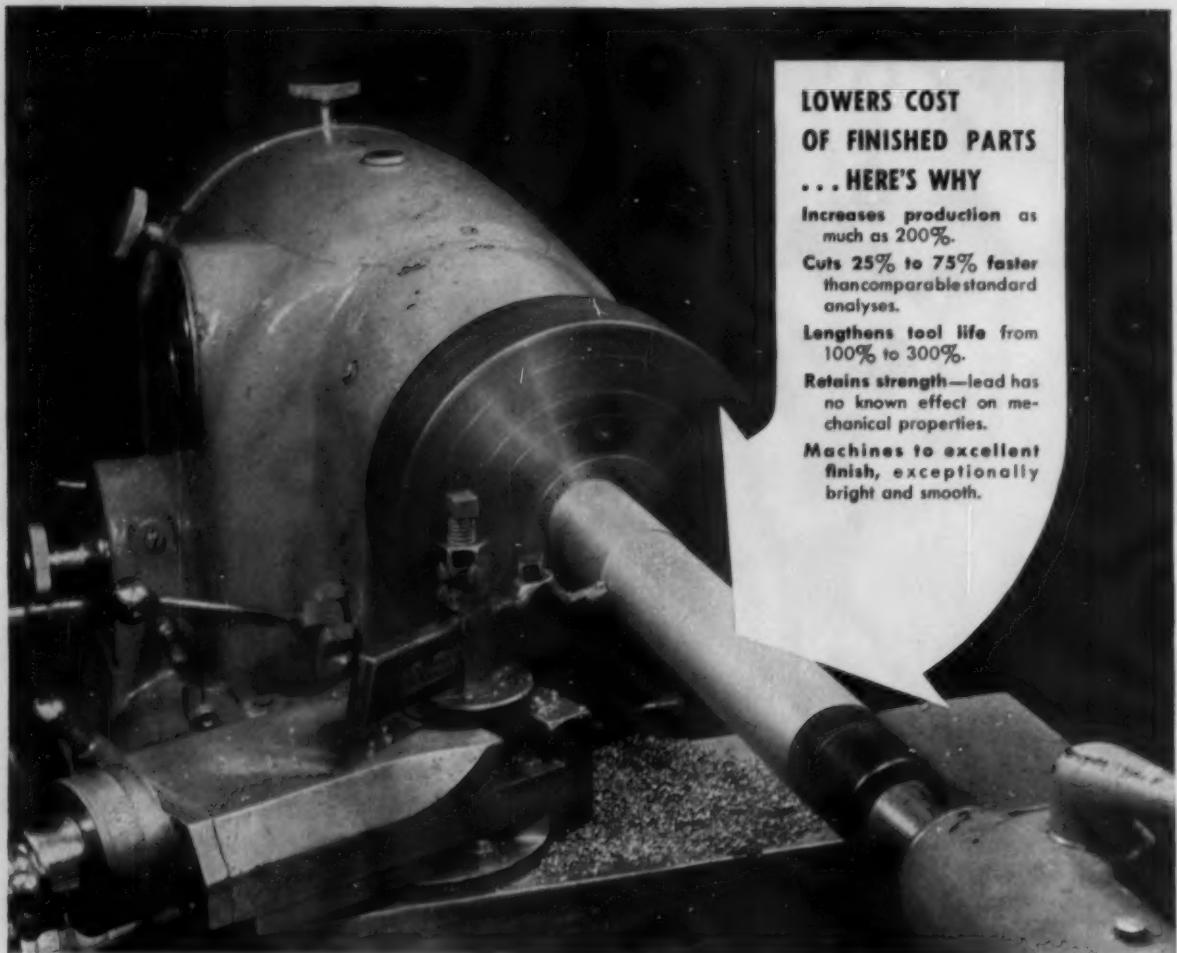


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Heat Treating Aluminum Alloy Aircraft Parts A Builder's Viewpoint

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Optimum properties are required in aluminum alloy parts used in modern aircraft. This dictates a necessity for close control over heat treating furnaces and quenching facilities.

WEIGHT-CONSCIOUS designers of the high-speed aircraft and missiles now on the drawing board are demanding that metals be utilized to the absolute limit of their capabilities. These demands must often be satisfied by the establishment of more stringent controls over manufacturing processes; hence, they are often reflected in the requirements for processing equipment. The purpose of this paper is to illustrate how metallurgical principles dictate the requirements of heat treating equipment for wrought aluminum alloys.

Aluminum Alloys

Solution heat treatment of aluminum alloys consists of two steps, (a) heating and soaking and (b) quenching. During the first step, the alloy is heated to the soaking temperature range

and held there long enough to allow solution and diffusion of the alloying elements in the aluminum to form a homogeneous solid solution. During the second step, the material is quenched in water to retain that solid solution at room temperature.

Figure 1, a portion of the aluminum-copper equilibrium diagram, will be used to illustrate how solution heat treating conditions are chosen. Note first the eutectic point, with its two parameters — temperature (548° C. or 1018° F.) and composition (33% Cu, 67% Al). This point defines the composition of the lowest melting alloy of these two metals (the eutectic composition) and its melting point (the eutectic temperature). Note, second, the line AB; it defines the solu-

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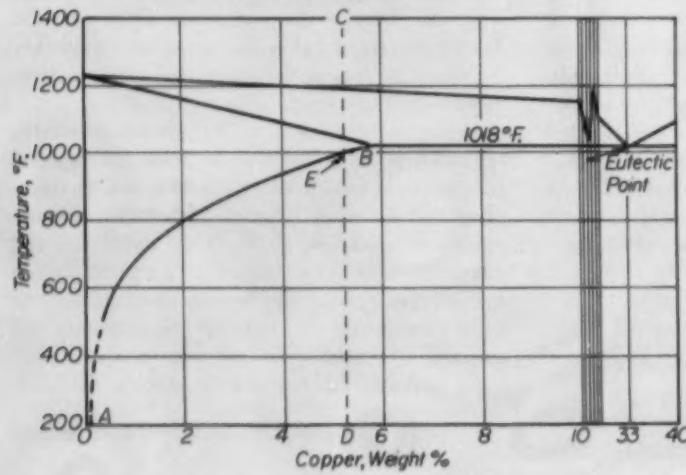


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bility of copper in aluminum at various temperatures. The composition of a typical precipitation hardening binary alloy is indicated by the line *CD* representing 5.25% Cu.

The diagram shows that the soaking temperature range must not exceed the eutectic temperature because of the danger that segregated, copper-rich areas may melt. On the other hand, it must exceed the temperature defined by the intersection of lines *AB* and *CD* (temperature *E*) in order to dissolve all of the available copper. A small safety margin above the upper limit of the soaking range is necessary because the presence of eutectic melting results in severe losses in strength and ductility. The losses are caused by the as-cast structure of the resolidified molten metal; its properties resemble those of a casting. This condition is particularly hazardous because it often presents no external manifestations, and is not detectable by ordinary inspection methods.

Fig. 1 — Aluminum End of Alumi-nium-Copper Equilibrium Diagram



Likewise, the shallow slope of the solubility curve *AB* (that is, solubility decreases rapidly with small decreases in temperature) dictates the necessity for a small safety margin below the lower limit because, if maximum solution is not achieved, the degree of supersaturation after quenching will be lower than that required for optimum hardening. The soaking temperature range is sometimes further restricted by raising the lower limit as close to the upper limit as possible, commensurate with furnace capabilities, in order to take advantage of faster solution and diffusion rates.

The composition of the typical alloy, *CD*, is 5.25% Cu, 94.75% Al. Since the eutectic temperature is 1018° F. and the intersection of *CD* with *AB* is at 996° F., the soaking temperature range should be 999 to 1014° F. This 15° range allows a 4° safety margin on the high side to safeguard against eutectic melting, and a 3° cushion on the low side for increased solution and diffusion rates. Of course, a composition of higher strength could have been chosen, say 5.60% Cu, but its soaking temperature range would probably have been limited to 1016 to 1017° F. The selection of the 5.25% Cu alloy represents a compromise between strength and furnace capabilities.

Actually the equilibrium diagram and typical composition illustrated in Fig. 1 are similar to those of more complex, commercial alloys; their soaking temperature ranges are similarly narrow. For example, the eutectic temperature of 2024 (24 S) alloy is 932° F., and the upper limit of the soaking range is

930° F. The lower limit is 915° F., but it is dictated by temperature control limitations of present industrial furnaces. Cooperative tests performed by the West Coast airframe companies have shown that significantly higher strengths could be obtained from this material if the minimum soaking temperature were raised. (See Fig. 2.)

The preceding information delineates the origins of the requirements for adequately instrumented furnaces which will maintain metal temperatures accurately, within a narrow range. A safety control instrument, set at the upper limit of the range and operating in conjunction with an alarm system or automatic cut-off, is additional insurance against eutectic melting.

Usually, temperature uniformity and control requirements are easily met by properly instrumented salt bath furnaces. Immersion electrode types are somewhat superior in uniformity, due to their inherent agitation; however, the thermal conductivity of the molten salts is sufficient to allow many gas-fired baths to operate successfully within very narrow temperature ranges. This advantage of salt baths is somewhat offset by their well-known lack of versatility when different soaking temperatures are used; heating or cooling the large mass of molten salt involves long waiting periods.

Waiting periods—Although air furnaces are more adaptable than salt baths when several different alloys are to be solution heat treated, they suffer from a similar, less easily recognized limitation—namely, when the operating temperature of an air furnace is changed, waiting periods are required after the control instrument indicates stability in order to allow the furnace walls to stabilize at the new temperature. If waiting periods are omitted, improper heat treatment may result because parts in the furnace will radiate heat to colder walls or absorb radiant heat from hotter walls. The effect of radiation on the control thermocouple, because of its small surface area, will be much less than on the parts; therefore the soaking cycle indicated by the control instrument will not reflect the actual metal temperature in the normal manner. The magnitude of this limitation is directly proportional to the efficiency of the furnace as an insu-

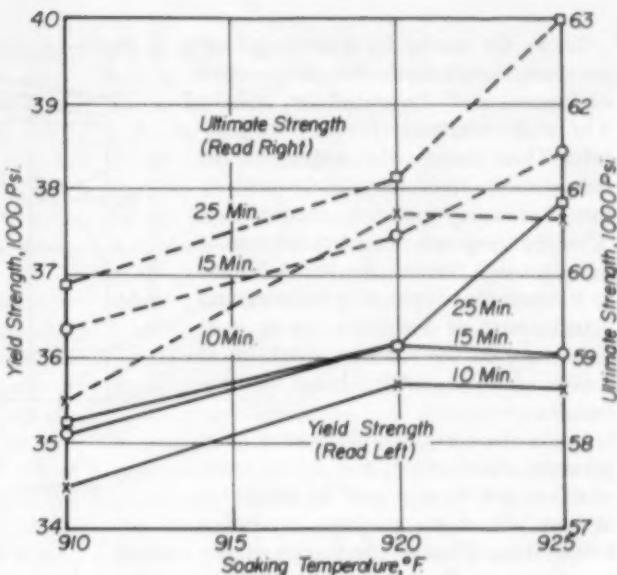


Fig. 2—Strength Versus Soaking Temperature for Alloy 2024-T 4

lated chamber, but possibilities of such radiation effects should be recognized even in thin-walled furnaces. A test used by the West Coast airframe companies for establishing requisite waiting periods for rectangular air furnaces is described as follows:

1. **Test thermocouples**, radiation test thermocouples, potentiometer, and cold junction compensation shall have been calibrated, during the previous three months, to read temperature within 2° F. Radiation test thermocouples shall be peened into the center of a panel of 6061 (61 S). The panel shall be a 1-ft. square of the minimum gage into which the thermocouple can be peened, and shall be heated to 970 to 1010° F. in an air furnace and air cooled prior to use.*

2. **Number and Distribution**—Nine test thermocouples are to be located at eight corners and center of the working zone. If radiation test thermocouples are used, one radiation panel is required for each 5 ft. (linear), or fraction thereof, of each vertical furnace wall, located at the midheight of the working zone; these panels shall be symmetrically distributed, parallel to the walls, at the outer limit of the working zone.

Test Procedure is as follows:

1. A furnace stabilization survey shall be made for increasing and for decreasing temperatures.

* The air cooled 6061 (61 S) material is used for radiation panels because its dark surface readily absorbs radiant heat.

1a. In the survey by increasing temperature stabilization, the temperature of furnace shall be stable for at least 3 hr. at the minimum operating temperature. Then change the setting of the temperature controlling instrument to the maximum operating temperature. After the temperature control instrument indicates that the furnace has stabilized at the maximum operating temperature, corroborated by a straight line at least $\frac{1}{4}$ in. long on the recorder chart, insert a rack of work containing test thermocouples.

1b. In the survey by decreasing temperature stabilization, the temperature of the empty furnace shall be stable for at least 3 hr. at the maximum operating temperature. Change the setting of the control instrument to the minimum operating temperature to be used. Turn off the furnace heat and open the furnace doors, leaving the blowers on. When the temperature controlling instrument indicates that the furnace has reached 100° F. below minimum operating temperature, close the doors and soak until the controlling instrument indicates that the furnace has stabilized at or below the minimum operating temperature. Then turn on the furnace heat. After the temperature control instrument indicates that the furnace has stabilized at the minimum operating temperature, corroborated by a $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. straight line on the recorder chart, insert a rack of work containing test thermocouples.

2. The temperature of all test and furnace thermocouples shall be recorded at 5-min. intervals (maximum) after placing them in the furnace. Readings shall be taken for 30 min. after all reach the temperature range being surveyed. Determine the minimum and maximum temperatures of recurrent temperature pattern of highest and lowest test thermocouples.

Another type of radiation problem is sometimes encountered when the heating source of an air furnace is in the walls. If the shielding between the heating elements and the working zone is inadequate, metal temperatures will exceed air temperatures. Significant radiation effects, amounting to metal-air temperature differentials in excess of 20° F., have been encountered when 0.064-in. gage stainless steel was used for shielding. These temperature differentials were not detectable after 0.5-in. asbestos board was added to the shield.

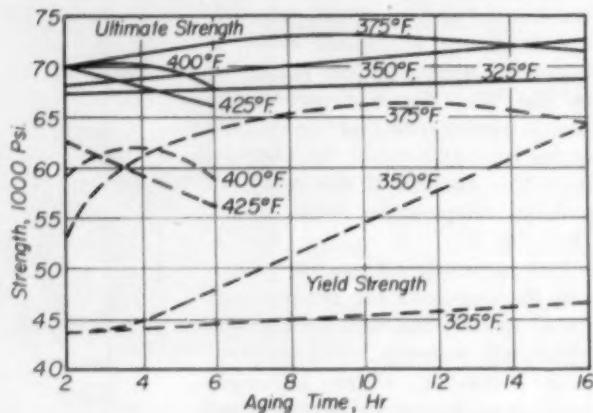


Fig. 3 - Effect of Aging at Various Temperatures on Strength of Al Alloy 2024-T3

In addition to these temperature control problems peculiar to air furnaces, contamination of the atmosphere must be avoided. Sulphur dioxide and water vapor may cause high-temperature oxidation of the metal, usually manifested by surface blisters and subsurface voids or oxide. These act as stress concentrations and lower mechanical properties, especially fatigue life.

Quenching

The importance of close control over the quenching phase of solution heat treatment can be illustrated by Fig. 1. If the typical alloy were cooled infinitely slowly from the soaking temperature range, an intermetallic compound of copper and aluminum would precipitate and the amount of copper in solid solution would decrease with decreasing temperature along the line AB. Infinitely rapid cooling would follow line CD — that is, the composition of the solid solution would not change because the solute atoms would not have sufficient time to coalesce into particles of precipitate. The degree of supersaturation would be measured by the distance between AB and CD at the quench water temperature. Extremely rapid cooling rates, producing nearly maximum supersaturation, are necessary to assure that all lots of material will meet design requirements.

Rapid quenching is also necessary to attain maximum corrosion resistance in the high-strength wrought alloys. Slow quenching causes a drastic loss in corrosion resistance due to precipitation of a copper-aluminum compound at the grain boundaries, depleting the copper content in the metal adjacent to the boundaries.

That zone is anodic to (electrochemically more negative than) the remainder of the grain, and therefore is susceptible to corrosion; the depleted zone corrodes sacrificially at an accelerated rate. This is a very insidious type of corrosion because it proceeds internally and relatively little surface corrosion product is formed; hence, it could progress undetected to a point at which catastrophic failure would occur.

The cooling rate during transfer from furnace to quench is usually controlled by specification of maximum quench delay times. (The quench delay is measured from the time an air furnace door starts to open, or the time the first corner of a load emerges from a salt bath, until the last corner of the load is immersed in the water quench tank.) It is essential that immersion be completed before the metal cools below 775° F., and therefore maximum times vary from 5 sec. for gages under 0.017 in. to 15 sec. for gages over 0.090 in. After immersion, cooling rates are controlled by specifying maximum water temperatures before and after quenching.

A factor which must not be overlooked is the necessity for agitation of the water or the parts during quenching. This is dramatically illustrated by the susceptibility of 0.50-in. 2024-T 4 plate to intergranular corrosion when quenched in still water (3-sec. delay), and its freedom from such susceptibility when quenched with sufficient agitation to break up the insulating steam blanket which collects on the surface of the hot metal.

A relatively minor amount of hardening results from solution heat treatment; in the freshly quenched condition the material is almost as soft and ductile as in the annealed condition. The main purpose of solution heat treatment is to condition the alloy for subsequent age hardening treatments.

Hardening

Precipitation hardening or age hardening is responsible for the major portion of the hardening effect. It consists of precipitation of fine particles from the supersaturated solid solution, and occurs because of the alloy's tendency to progress toward a state of equilibrium—that is, toward the ratio of precipitate to solid solution indicated by the equilibrium diagram (Fig. 1). The amount of hardening is governed by the number and size of the precipitated particles which, in turn, is a function of temperature at the time of precipitation since the mobility of the atoms determines the number and size of

the groups into which they coalesce. Hence, precipitation at elevated temperature produces higher hardnesses and strengths than room-temperature aging.

The hardening effect of the precipitate results from the strain in the solid solution crystal caused by the presence of the "foreign" particle. Up to a certain limit the larger the particles, the greater the strain; beyond that limiting size strain (and strength) decreases. Particle size then becomes so large that the number of particles formed is insufficient to "key" the optimum number of slip planes. Therefore the time-temperature conditions of precipitation heat treatments are carefully selected to produce a precipitate which gives the best combination of properties. The series of curves in Fig. 3 shows the effects of various aging times and temperatures on the mechanical properties of 2024-T 3 (24 S) alloy; the reasons behind the choice of a precipitation heat treatment consisting of 10 hr. at 375° F. are readily apparent.

Figure 3 also illustrates the necessity for temperature uniformity and control in aging furnaces similar to that required for solution heat treating furnaces. Problems of radiation and heat distribution are somewhat less critical, due to the lower temperatures, except in the few furnaces which are used for both precipitation and solution heat treating. In the latter event, the heat capacity needed for the high temperatures tends to produce detrimental radiation effects at the low temperatures. The long soaking times required for age hardening treatments have led to a trend toward large working zones. This partially offsets the advantage of controlling at lower operating temperatures, but control within specified limits is still easily possible.

In conclusion, it must be realized that the requirements for heat treating equipment are established by the design engineer when he specifies the material and its properties on his drawing. Thereafter, the fundamental metallurgical principles involved determine the heat treating conditions, and the allowable tolerances, necessary to meet his expectations. When development of more efficient equipment and more accurate controls allows the designer to increase his requirements (that is, allows increased strength-weight ratios), lighter, more efficient airplanes can be produced. Such advances have been responsible for maintaining the supremacy of the American aircraft industry. 

An Alloy Manufacturer's Viewpoint

By K. B. BAKER*

MANY of the important physical qualities of aluminum alloy and magnesium alloy parts are controllable in accordance with established physical principles. Among the factors affecting the final results, the necessity for proper thermal treatments cannot be overemphasized.

Generalization is unwise. Heat treatments vary according to the job at hand. Proper design and selection of the type of heating equipment and its auxiliaries obviously must follow an adequate study of the specific requirements. Otherwise unsatisfactory results may be expected.

Annealing—When necessary to anneal wrought aluminum alloys, the general principle is to heat as quickly as possible to the proper *metal* temperature for the product concerned and to avoid an unnecessarily long period of holding at that temperature. If the rate of heating is too slow, or if the control of the metal temperature is so inaccurate that it reaches a temperature considerably higher than required for recrystallization, an excessively large grain size will result in some aluminum alloy materials. If a heat treatable alloy is heated substantially in excess of prescribed annealing practice, "partial" heat treatment may result in the sense that the properties will be unstable and the product will gradually harden at room temperature. Hence the annealing equipment must be capable of raising the desired load size quickly to temperature and of controlling the actual metal temperature within accurate limits.

Solution heat treatment of wrought aluminum alloys is for the purpose of putting into solid solution the soluble alloying elements and to retain them in a supersaturated solid solution by quenching. When the hardening constituents are later precipitated from the supersaturated solid solution, full hardening occurs. Precipitation occurs either as a result of the unstable nature of the solid solution at room temperature (in some of the aluminum alloys), or by a precipitation heat treatment, more familiarly termed "artificial aging".

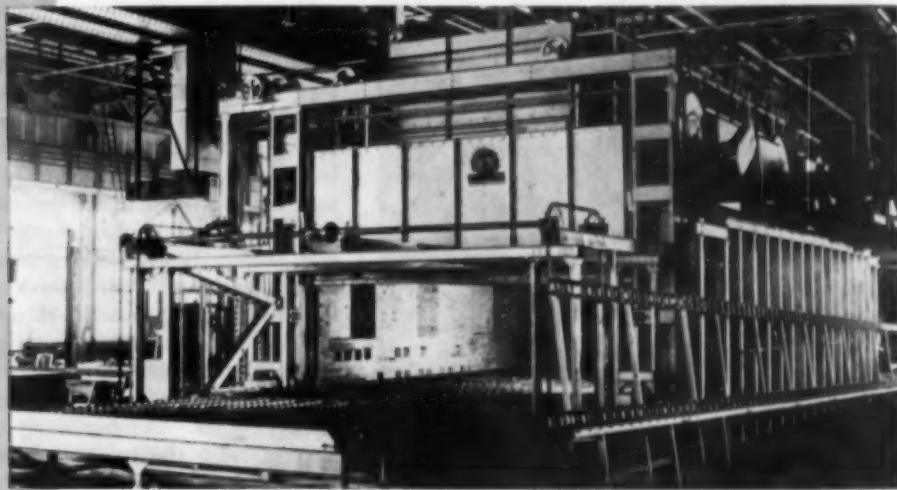
As is well known to those acquainted with

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phase diagrams of the aluminum alloys, certain phases begin to melt at temperatures well below those at which melting is obvious to the eye. Yet the maximum strength possible prescribes a solution heat treatment at maximum permissible temperatures. The heat treating furnace should therefore be capable of maintaining the *actual metal temperature* within plus or minus 10° F. of that specified. If this is exceeded, eutectic melting may occur. Once this happens, the mechanical properties are adversely affected; more often than not the product exhibits a characteristic type of blistering. These conditions cannot be corrected and the product must be scrapped. Correspondingly, if the temperature reached is too low, the minimum mechanical properties may not be developed, so proper reheat treatment will be required.

Equipment—All the foregoing emphasizes the importance of a furnace which is capable of raising the desired load *quickly* to an accurately controlled temperature, properly set for the alloy and product concerned. It does not suffice to have highly accurate temperature control equipment alone. Unsatisfactory results have often been obtained where the instruments show close control of the temperature, but this situation prevailed only in the vicinity of the point of control and the furnace design was such that widely varying metal temperatures existed elsewhere in the load. The point to be emphasized is that the actual metal temperatures throughout the load must be determined and proved to be within required limits.

Another feature of importance in the solution heat treatment of aluminum alloys concerns the arrangements for handling and quenching the load. Not all alloys and products require the most drastic quenching; in fact a slower quench, as in boiling water instead of cold water, is preferable for some. The requirements must be carefully established and the equipment organized accurately. When rapid quenching is necessary to obtain satisfactory mechanical properties and resistance to corrosion, facilities inadequate to provide rapid quenching can only lead to poor quality of product.



Pusher-Type, Gas-Fired Furnace. Courtesy R-S Products Corp.

Furnaces for Heat Treating Aluminum and Magnesium

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Four major factors influence design of furnaces for heat treatment of aluminum and magnesium: Temperature control, heat input, material handling, and atmosphere requirements. Present high production rates have increased the importance of material handling.

ALUMINUM and magnesium alloys used in the aircraft industry have similar heat treating cycles. Both are solution heat treated, quenched or cooled to room temperature, and then age hardened at an intermediate temperature.

For maximum production rates during solution treating the material should be heated as rapidly as permissible. High-strength alloys require rapid cooling and are quenched in cold water, either by immersion or spraying. Where strength requirements are lower, quenching in hot water or air is often permitted. Some extrusion and forging alloys have acceptable mechanical properties when quenched as they rest in or leave the die. For precipitation heat treatment, the material must usually be heated for a long

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time at an intermediate temperature. However, certain alloys will harden at room temperature.

Major considerations influencing furnace design for heat treating aluminum and magnesium are temperature control, heat input, material handling, and atmosphere requirements.

Temperature control must be rapid and accurate because of the narrow ranges specified for heat treatment. For example, duralumin-type alloys are solution treated between 925 and 930° F. in order to get maximum properties. If their temperature were to exceed 932° F., they might be damaged beyond repair. If temperatures fall below the specified range, the necessary mechanical properties cannot be obtained.

Fortunately, instrument manufacturers can provide controls that meet the requirements when used with properly designed furnaces.

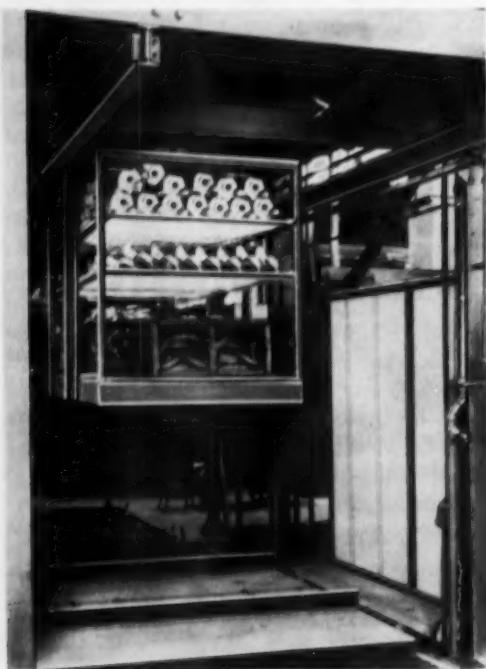
Heat Input — Aluminum was first heat treated in gas fired, open-burner furnaces, copies of those used in the steel industry. However, it was not long before blisters and a condition called "HTO", or high temperature oxidation, were associated with combustion products from the open burners. To avoid this difficulty, electric resistance heating was adopted generally.

Where natural gas has become available at low cost, electricity for heating becomes comparatively expensive. The method adopted by the furnace industry to use the cheaper fuel without damage from the combustion products is the radiant tube, wherein combustion is entirely within heat resistant alloy tubes which line the furnace walls. Combustion products are exhausted from the tubes and never touch the work in the furnace.

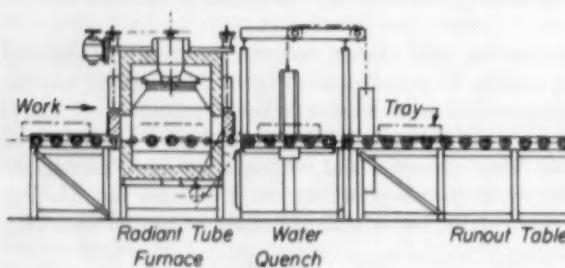
Except for some special applications, magnesium is heat treated in the same kind of furnaces used for aluminum.

Oil is not yet used widely for heating aluminum and magnesium. It is still too expensive compared to gas except in a few geographic areas. Combustion products are detrimental to metal surfaces, particularly from those oils which contain sulphur. Even the use of oil to heat radiant tubes is difficult because oil burns with such a short, hot flame. However, we may hear more about the use of oil in the future.

Material Handling — Fuel selection is important in determining production costs and is so considered by furnace builders. However, with present production requirements a furnace can

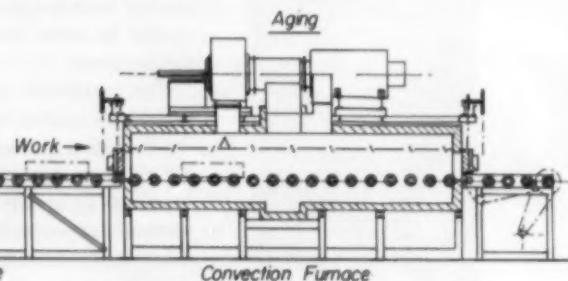


Solution Heat Treatment



Rack Loaded With Aluminum Castings Is Raised Into Rectangular, Elevated Furnace for Solution Treatment. Floor plate covers quench tank. Courtesy W. S. Rockwell Co.

Semicontinuous Installation for Solution Treatment, Quenching and Aging Small Aluminum or Magnesium Parts Loaded in Trays. Courtesy Surface Combustion Corp.



be considered as an insulated box in which material is placed to be heated to a prescribed temperature; the method of getting the material into and out of the box (material handling) controls the operation.

The loading and unloading is accomplished with pushers, rollers, elevators, walking beams, cranes, chains or cars. These units started out as small accessories, but as the aircraft industry required larger and more intricate pieces, the material handling equipment became a major consideration in furnace design. The accompanying illustrations indicate some of the different methods used today, and their importance in furnace design.

Atmosphere Control — A fourth consideration is the possibility of using protective atmosphere. Furnace atmospheres and their generation were covered by the symposium held by the Industrial Heating Equipment Assoc. at the last Metal Congress in Chicago, and were published in *Metal Progress* in the November 1954 issue.

Protective atmospheres have not yet been considered necessary for aluminum. The required safeguards against contact between work and combustion products are sufficient to assure a satisfactory product.

With magnesium, on the other hand, solution heat treatment is usually conducted in a protective atmosphere containing sulphur. Usually SO_2 in minimum concentrations of 0.5%, formed by the heating of flowers of sulphur in the load chamber, is used. Early in the development of magnesium alloys, it was recognized that the presence of sulphur was necessary to reduce oxidation. When aluminum and magnesium alloys are being heat treated in the same plant, equipment must be duplicated, since a sulphur-bearing atmosphere damages aluminum beyond repair.

Design of heat treating furnaces with protective atmospheres, if and when required, will be similar to those developed for other metals. This will include an all-welded shell, tight door seals, and seals at bearings, burner ports, terminal openings, and the like. Most of these items, already developed, have been proven and make a gas-tight furnace. There should be no difficulty in adapting the present methods of sealing a furnace to the heat treatment of light metals. ☺

Electrically Heated Elevator Furnace for Aluminum Extrusions and Tubing. Load is water quenched vertically in tank below furnace. Courtesy Swindell-Dressler Corp.



Salt Bath Furnaces for Aluminum

By BERNARD P. PLANNER*

Salt baths offer many advantages for heat treatment of aluminum aircraft alloys, including high treating rates, close temperature control and freedom from atmosphere attack.

ON THE WEST COAST, as is generally known, is located more than 50% of all American airplane manufacturing. In the Los Angeles area, the airframe industry occupies a greater factory area than all other industries together. Aluminum alloys still constitute by far the major part of all their metallic construction materials (according to recent statistics, about 70%). The importance of aluminum alloys and the furnace equipment used in their processing is obvious.

Temperatures used in heat treating aluminum alloys range from 250 to 980° F.; thus, 250 to 375° F. is for precipitation hardening, 640 to 660° F. for strain relief, 750 to 800° F. for dead soft annealing and 850 to 980° F. for solution annealing. Almost all of this range can be handled by salt bath furnaces.

Solution anneal, aging and quenching are

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closely controlled. Process specifications are particularly stringent as to maximum physical properties as well as corrosion resistance. When, after years of research, a new alloy with a higher yield and tensile strength has been developed, we do not want to sacrifice any of this strength by the use of inferior heating or processing equipment.

The same maxim applies to corrosion resistance. When you visualize planes on the deck of a storm-tossed aircraft carrier, you see just about the worst atmospheric corrosive conditions imaginable.

Control of quenching rates is important because slow quenching can impair both strength and corrosion resistance of high-strength aluminum alloys. The temperature range requiring close attention is 550 to 750° F. In order to avoid difficulty the quenching rate through this range should exceed 800° F. per sec. With some alloys corrosion resistance is adversely affected before

the mechanical properties suffer; with others, the reverse is true. A qualitative indication of the influence of quenching rate on 2024 (24 S) and 7075 (75 S) is shown in Fig. 1. If 2024 is not quenched fast enough to pass the nose of the "C-curve" in less than 5 sec., it becomes susceptible to cor-

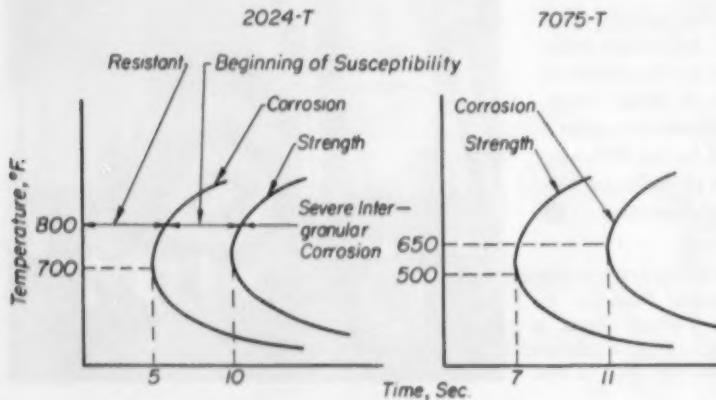


Fig. 1—Influence of Quenching Rate on the Properties of Two High-Strength Aluminum Alloys

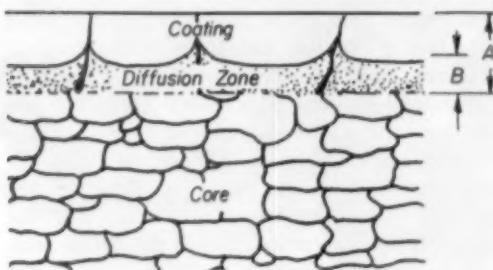


Fig. 2—Diffusion in Alclad 2024 Alloy, Sketched at 100 Magnifications. A represents thickness of Alclad coating; B is average width of diffusion zone. The percentage of diffusion is calculated by B/A .

rosion; if the time exceeds 10 sec., severe intergranular corrosion can develop and its strength will also be impaired. For 7075, mechanical properties are affected first by slow quenching rates; then corrosion resistance. The magnitude of the effect of quenching rate from solution treatment on the mechanical properties of age hardened 7075 is shown in the table at the bottom of the page.

To avoid the above difficulties, maximum quench delay time is usually specified in the processing procedure. This is measured from the time the work first breaks the surface of the salt bath until it is completely submerged in the water quench. It varies between 5 and 15 sec., depending on the alloy and the size and shape of the parts being treated.

Some distortion of parts can hardly be prevented in quenching. However, when relatively large and light-gage aluminum alloy parts are transferred rapidly into water, it has to be remembered that the parts are rather soft and even suffer distortion by the very impact against the water surface at the point of immersion.

Quenching from salt baths in the aircraft industry is usually done by hand, although some semi-automatic devices have been suggested. Results, therefore, depend on the manual skill of the operator. However, the principle of the arrested drop used in elevator-type air furnaces could be incorporated into a jack-rabbit type of conveyor. Fixtures as light in weight as

possible are also recommended. Skillful quenching will go a long way toward reducing the straightening costs, which can account for as much as 80% of the total manufacturing cost of aircraft parts.

Among the many advantages of salt baths over air furnaces for solution annealing aluminum alloys are: faster heating rates; shorter heat treating cycles; greater production per cubic foot of furnace space; closer temperature control; and freedom from high-temperature atmospheric attack. In molten salt, heat is transferred to the work almost entirely by conduction at a rate five to six times the rate of heat transfer in air by convection. This not only decreases the time at elevated temperature but as a secondary effect prevents loss of corrosion resistance—for the following reason:

High-strength aluminum alloys have poor corrosion resistance. Therefore, they are nearly always clad with pure aluminum, as visualized in Fig. 2. During the solution anneal, some diffusion occurs, mainly of copper from the core into the copper-free cladding. Full resistance to corrosion is maintained only in the portion of the cladding where diffusion has not taken place. Diffusion is proportional to the time the part is held at solution annealing temperature. When large, unevenly distributed loads are to be handled, the much faster heating in salt baths causes less diffusion from the core into the cladding and a better product. A minor advantage is the reduction of grain growth in plain aluminum by faster heating rates.

Effect of Quenching Rate on Tensile Properties of 7075-T^{*} (Data from W. L. Fink and L. A. Willey)

QUENCHING MEDIUM	QUENCH RATE†	TENSILE, PSI.	YIELD, PSI.	ELONG. IN 2 IN.
Water at 70° F.	≤ 2,500	83,925	72,925	12.8%
Wood's metal at 170° F.	≤ 1,900	84,075	72,500	12.7
Light oil (39) at 70° F.‡	≤ 1,600	83,950	72,975	12.8
Medium oil (126) at 70° F.‡	275	83,200	71,425	13.0
Heavy oil (7900) at 85° F.‡	128	81,200	68,900	13.0
Alcohol at 70° F.	98	81,700	68,375	13.0
Boiling water	42	77,975	63,625	12.9
Air blast	13	65,375	43,750	13.0
Still air	4	53,275	26,450	15.3

*0.064-in. (14-g.) "as rolled" sheet, heat treated 20 min. at 870 to 880° F. Specimen cut transverse to direction of rolling. T Temper—Specimens aged, after 4 days at room temperature, for 24 hr. at 250° F. Results are average of four tests.

†Rate of cooling through the range 750 to 550° F. in °F. per sec. Average of two tests.

‡Oil mechanically agitated during quenching operation. Values in parentheses are viscosities in Saybolt Seconds Universal at 100° F.

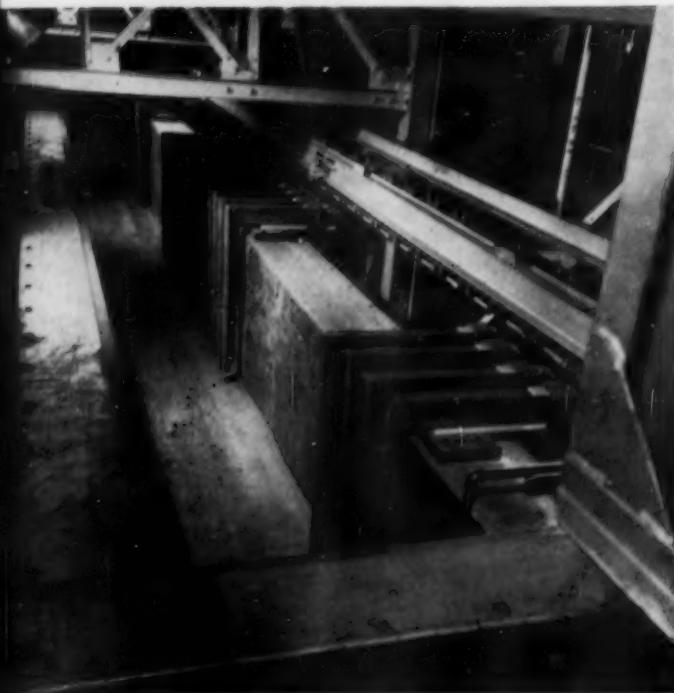


Fig. 3 - Empty Salt Bath Furnace, Showing Design and Location of Electrodes. (A. F. Holden Co.)

The five to six-fold increase in heating rate allows a correspondingly larger production capacity per cubic foot of furnace working space. Parts of suitable shape can also be much more closely stacked in a salt bath furnace than in an air furnace wherein free passage of sufficient air has to be allowed. I believe the production capacity of a salt bath furnace of the same size sometimes is 10 to 12 times as great as in an air furnace. For example, a salt bath furnace with a working space only 36 in. long by 28 in. wide by 40 in. deep, can solution anneal 450 tubular aluminum alloy parts with 2.75 in. diameter by 0.070 in. wall thickness, 30 in. long, equal to 1150 lb. of aluminum per hour or 150,000 parts per month in a two-shift operation.

Design of Salt Bath Furnace

A typical salt bath, the A. F. Holden multiple electrode furnace, is shown in Fig. 3. It consists essentially of the inner steel pot, the outer shell and the electrode arrangement. The pot will be, of course, filled with molten salt. Heat energy is created (electricity is transformed into calorific energy) by the resistance of the salt to the current passing between the electrodes. The molten salt

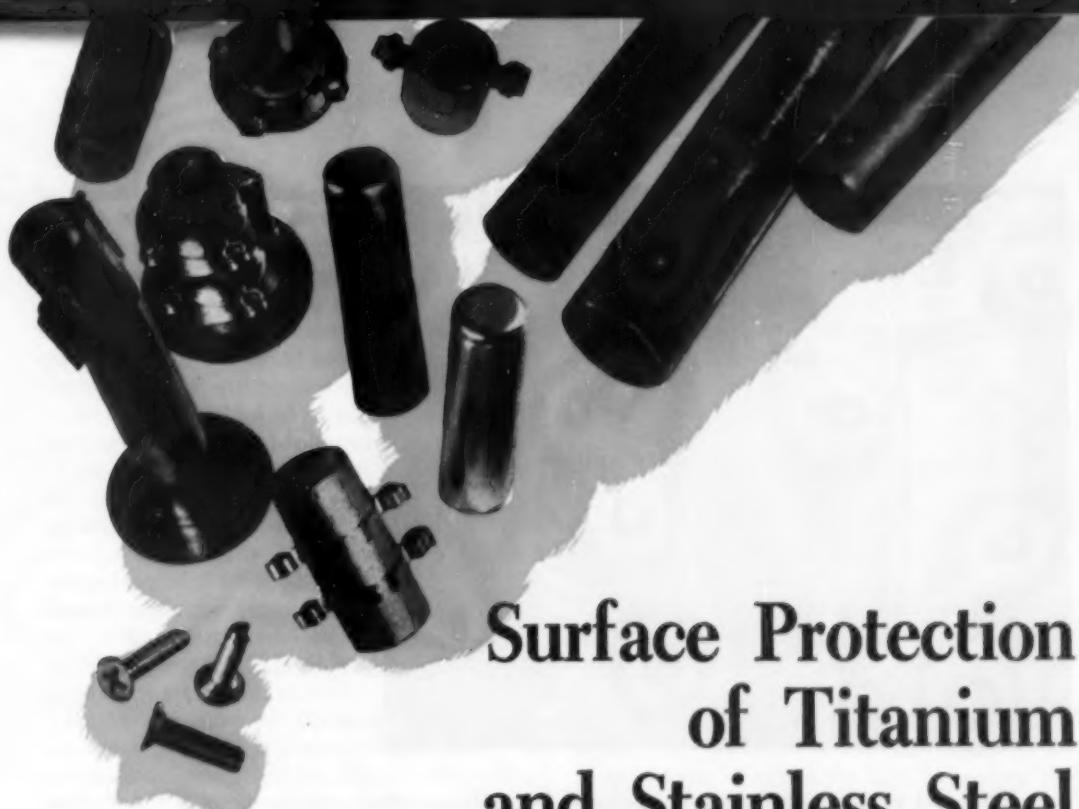
acts both as a protective blanket for the work and as a heat generation and transfer medium.

Dimensions and spacing of the electrodes are determined by the size of the bath, the salt mixture used, and the location of the work in the furnace. Minimum spacing is not less than 3 in. This permits heating a sufficient volume of salt between the electrodes without exceeding the temperature of decomposition of the nitrate salts.

Regarding the spacing of the electrodes and their influence on the maintenance of accurate temperature, I would like to add the following: Close temperature tolerances can be maintained in salt baths regardless of whether "Cal-Rod" immersion heaters, electrodes or gas-fired immersion heaters are used, provided enough calorific energy is furnished and the heating elements are properly distributed throughout the bath. The high rate of heat transfer and natural heat convection insure an even temperature distribution. Temperature tolerances of $\pm 5^{\circ}$ F. or better are unnecessary when heat treating steels. Therefore, the so-called electromagnetic stirring action of current on the salt, is, in my opinion, unnecessary; it erodes the electrodes, increases heat losses and oxidation of the molten salt bath — the very thing we use additives to prevent. (Oxidized salt pits the parts treated.)

When heat treating aluminum, eutectic sodium and potassium nitrate mixtures would be preferred because of their low melting point. Also, the fused salt combinations are more stable than granular mixtures. Any moisture is boiled out of this product during fusion, and the salts remain dry when properly packaged and stored in metal containers. In humid surroundings, salts that are not packaged absorb as much as 5% water. When stored in metal drums, the maximum moisture content of the salts will not exceed 0.25%.

There is just one more precaution: Care has to be taken to prevent a molten sodium nitrate bath from becoming alkaline — that is, from containing more than 0.03% free alkali expressed as Na_2O . On prolonged immersion in a bath containing free alkali above 0.10%, stains consisting of sodium aluminate are formed. Control of free alkali is, therefore, essential. Conditions which tend to accelerate decomposition of the salt and increase the free alkali must be avoided. Such conditions are created by incidental oil, grease or other contaminants from the work, and by overheating. Rectification of alkaline baths is done by either bubbling carbon dioxide through the bath periodically or by adding small quantities of sodium dichromate.



Surface Protection of Titanium and Stainless Steel During Heat Treatment

By HORACE DREVER*

Vacuum furnaces have proved successful in preventing embrittlement of titanium during annealing. Extremely dry hydrogen is being used successfully in both bright hardening and bright annealing of stainless steels.

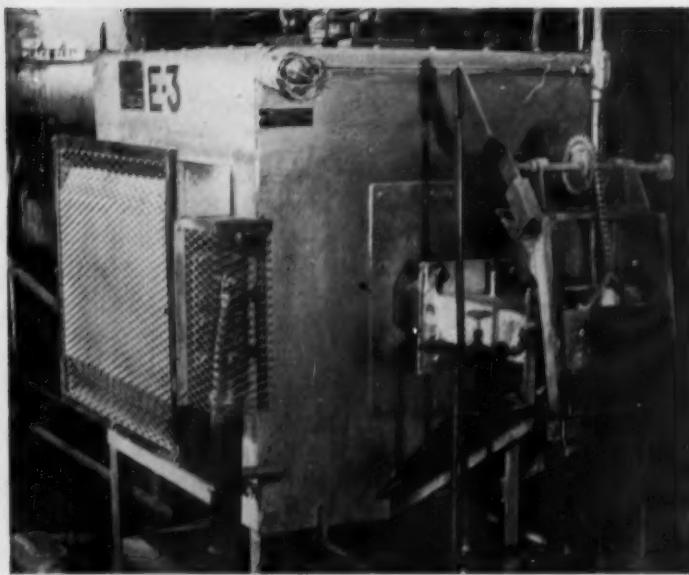
THE HEAT TREATMENT of titanium carries with it problems about equal in difficulty to those of producing the ingot from the ore. Since it is so reactive to most gases at elevated temperatures, atmospheres containing nitrogen and hydrogen are not "protective", and thus none of the standard types of atmosphere generators can be used. Since titanium is also reactive to oxygen, open firing is also unsatisfactory except for very large sections—ingots, perhaps.

This leaves only inert gases as a possibility for atmosphere protection. But this also brings problems. The gas—usually argon which must be

thoroughly purified—is very expensive. In addition, it is very difficult to prevent slight infiltration of air into the heated chamber.

Since atmospheres are generally unsatisfactory, the only thing left to do is to use no atmosphere. Indeed, a vacuum of 10 microns or less is found to be most successful for avoiding embrittlement during heat treatment. It is only logical that a metal which must be *produced* in a vacuum should be subsequently *treated* in vacuum during later operations in order to preserve the qualities of the original ingot metal. While it

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Simple Pusher-Type Batch Furnace Used for Bright Annealing Small Stainless Parts

is possible and entirely satisfactory to produce annealed material in heavier sections by conventional methods, even these are improved by the use of vacuum annealing. Fine ductile tubing, wire and thin sheet cannot be produced by using conventional annealing procedure, since the embrittling effect of the intermediate anneals is additive.

Vacuum processing of metals is rapidly becoming important in the titanium industry. It results in a stronger and more ductile product not only by preventing contamination from gases during the heating operation, but by removing gases already in solution in the metal. The gases in the metal, in equilibrium with the normal ambient atmosphere, diffuse outward into the vacuum (region of zero pressure). Such diffusion is impossible in conventional heat treating procedures at atmospheric pressure.

Vacuum equipment will be new to most production men and there are some essential techniques, easily learned, in its operation. The equipment now available is rugged and reliable, and in cost is usually less than atmosphere generation equipment would be for furnaces of the same capacity. In addition there is no danger of poisonous or explosive gases.

Any group which wishes to be successful in bringing out the best properties of titanium, had best put aside the worries and problems of embrittlement and look to this new and easily learned technique for the solution.

Stainless Steel — Applications of chromium-nickel alloys have grown tremendously with new and greater demands by engineers, not only because of better resistance to corrosion and high-temperature oxidation but also because of higher mechanical properties. Unfortunately, these alloys are difficult to heat treat without coloration. The chromium oxides are very refractory; to remove them requires long and expensive cleaning operations such as pickling in strong acids, sand-blasting or salt descaling. Such methods give a clean surface dull gray in color. If a bright finish is desired, additional costly mechanical operations such as machining, grinding or polishing are required.

Fortunately, we now have methods and furnace equipment for bright hardening and annealing all types of stainless steel alloys, so as to eliminate subsequent cleaning operations.

Bright Hardening — To develop their best properties, martensitic alloys of the straight chromium types, containing various percentages of carbon, must be hardened from somewhere between 1700 and 1950° F. by rapidly cooling in oil or air. Typical of these alloys are A.I.S.I. Types 410, 416, 420, 431, 440, each containing more than 11.5 but less than 18% chromium, various other alloying constituents and varying percentages of carbon, rising with the chromium content and depending on the hardness desired in the final part.

While oil hardening may give slightly higher

hardness on larger sections, air cooling is a recommended and safer practice in handling irregular, odd-shaped sections with sharp corners where distortion or cracking would be likely to occur. Since these alloys air-harden, bright heat treating is possible; the furnace design permits the parts to be quenched in cooled, controlled-atmosphere gas without traces of oxidation almost certain if quenched in oil. Parts shown on this page develop full hardness in sections up to 1.25 in. diameter. They are clean, free from oxide and are ready for the next operation, if one is required, or for final assembly. Screws require a certain degree of hardness to prevent stripping and galling of the threads; they come from the furnace ready for inspection and packing, thus eliminating what was formerly an expensive cleaning operation. Typical hardness values are given in the table on p. 90.

Bright Annealing of Stainless—Considerably more stainless steel is annealed than hardened, and the requirements in this direction are necessarily far more comprehensive and cover a much wider range of sizes, shapes and output. The most common alloys contain 6 to 22% of nickel and 16 to 26% chromium, with or without titanium, molybdenum, or columbium. These austenitic stainless steels cannot be hardened by heat treatment, but do develop hardness through cold working. Thus, annealing is the principal heat treatment to produce maximum softness and ductility and remove stresses from cold working. Annealing at proper time and temperature also dissolves any chromium carbides that may have precipitated at the grain boundaries during hot working or welding operations. To redissolve such carbides it is necessary to heat the metal above 1650° F., soak long enough to be sure the carbides are redissolved, and then cool *rapidly* to hold them in solution.

Normally, the purpose of bright annealing is for softening only. (If the parts have been previously exposed to the precipitation range by hot working, welding, or heating, the surface will be already oxidized at least in the heated portions and the scale would have to be removed by appropriate methods.) Carbide precipitation is of concern; it must be prevented by rapid cooling. Water is a good coolant. Air is all right if the parts are of thin metal. Quenching in chilled atmosphere is done in the identical fashion used to bright harden the martensitic grades of stainless.

Austenitic materials which have not been sta-

bilized—that is, contain no titanium or columbium—and do not have a higher carbon content than 0.08%, can usually be quenched in air or furnace atmosphere in sections up to 0.250 in. In bright annealing, the design and effectiveness of the cooling chamber is the determining factor, limiting the size of the part being treated without endangering it to carbide precipitation. Certain grades, such as high-alloy Type 310, should always be water quenched because carbides will precipitate even on rapid air cooling.

The most widely used austenitic alloy is 18-8, available in rods, bars, wire, sheet, strip, tubing and many other shapes. It is made up from these forms into a wide variety of articles. A few "run of the mine" parts are shown on p. 87, just as they come from the bright annealing furnace; they will not require any cleaning operations whatever. As in any mirror-bright surface they are hard to photograph—either they reflect the light source directly into the camera and gleam at such spots, or reflect the light away from the lens and appear dark.

The technique of bright annealing parts of this nature has been so far advanced that material with a mirror-like luster can be processed and retain and even slightly enhance this luster! Some of the parts are readily recognizable as to final use but others in the photograph include radio tube components, television and radio parts, and barrels for pen caps and lipstick containers. It is particularly interesting to note the perfect cleanliness of the *inside* of the pen caps which are tubular parts with one end closed. A

Bright Hardened Stainless Steel Parts



Typical Hardness Readings for Bright Hardened Stainless Parts

PART	MATERIAL	SECTION THICKNESS, MAX.	HARDNESS, ROCKWELL		LABORATORY HARDNESS*
			SPECIFIED	OBTAINED	
Cup plate	440 A	1/4 in.	C-57-60	C-58-60	C-55-58
Small gears	416	1/32	40-42	40-41	39-43
Bolt	420	7/16	52-56	53-56	53-56
Bearing pin	416	1 1/4	35-43	40-43	39-43
1 5/16-in. bearing race	416	9/16	35-43	38-40	39-43
15/16-in. bearing race	410	1/4	35-43	38-40	39-43
Small nozzles	440 A	3/16	53-58	54-58	55-58

*On 1-in. diameter bar, oil quenched.

piece such as this represents an almost impossible object to pickle so the whole interior surface is cleaned of all oxides; bright annealing eliminates this troublesome and expensive operation. If any oxide were left in the part, it would cause a great amount of trouble in the subsequent drawing operations as well as on the finished part.

The furnace illustrated on p. 88 is one of the usual forms of equipment for bright annealing and bright hardening parts. It is a simple pusher-type batch furnace with a deep charging throat, an alloy muffle forming the heating chamber, and a cooling chamber, all mechanically fastened together and filled at all times with an atmosphere of dissociated ammonia or pure hydrogen. Material is fed into one end, pushed into the heating chamber and, upon completion of the heating cycle, is pushed into the cooling chamber. When parts have cooled to 300° F. or less, they are removed from the cooling chamber. The muffle in this type of furnace may be heated with electricity or gas.

The success of bright hardening or annealing depends on rather rigid requirements as to furnace construction and atmosphere. The furnace heating chamber must be constructed of materials which are not reduced by hydrogen at temperatures of 2000° F. and higher, and the atmosphere used throughout the furnace (charging, heating and cooling chambers) must contain no oxygen, either free or combined as in CO₂, nor water vapor down to a dew point of -40° F. or below. If these requirements are met and if the charging and discharging entrances of the furnace are carefully designed so breathing of

*EDITOR'S FOOTNOTE — In discussion it was mentioned that there is evidence that type 431 stainless (16 Cr, 2 Ni, 0.20 max. C) loses some ductility after austenitizing in "dry" hydrogen, unless the dew point is below -90° F.

air is reduced to a minimum, then the average furnace operator can bright harden or bright anneal.

The requirement that the heating chamber must not be reducible by hydrogen necessarily eliminates all common refractories from consideration as a lining material and conversely implies that an alloy muffle must be used. Alloys high in nickel are the most reliable for muffle construction; materials such as Nichrome and Inconel give excellent results.

The atmosphere is, of course, of the utmost importance and either pure hydrogen or dissociated ammonia is used. Dissociated ammonia is delivered from the ammonia cracker as 75% hydrogen, 25% nitrogen by volume. The dew point is -65° F. or lower, and only a very small trace of uncracked ammonia remains. Dissociated ammonia is favored because it requires no purification or drying and it is more economical than cylinder hydrogen.* In certain applications, the very slight nitriding effect of cracked ammonia prohibits its use; pure hydrogen must then be used. Since cylinder hydrogen is too wet, it must first be deoxidized and then dried before going to the furnace. This requires separate equipment consisting of a catalyst furnace wherein small amounts of oxygen in the gas are converted to water vapor, followed by drier towers to remove water vapor down to the necessary dew point.

Since any foreign matter on the surface of the material to be treated would not only contaminate the heating muffle but would discolor and oxidize the part, it is also important that all such matter be removed before entering the furnace. Cleaning is best done in vapor-type solvents rather than the alkaline types which may leave a deposit on the work.

With properly designed and constructed furnaces and the correct atmospheres, bright hardening and bright annealing are now being done on a production basis on a large variety of stainless parts. Not too many years ago this operation was not considered feasible and there were many claims that stainless steels could not be properly treated in this fashion. This, of course, is now disproved by the excellent results which are obtained in all types of furnaces designed for this purpose.

Controlled-Atmosphere Furnaces

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A survey of the representative types of controlled-atmosphere furnaces, their advantages and major fields of application. Extracts from a paper read before the Western Metal Congress and Exposition.

THE ADVANTAGES of controlled atmospheres for heat treatment have led to the development of atmosphere furnaces for practically all heat treating operations. The trend is to replace older types of furnaces and the proposals of such replacements rate high in well-considered modernization programs. What follows is a brief description of representative types of these newer furnaces.

Batch Furnaces

Box Furnaces — The most widely used of any type are the box furnaces; they can be found in almost every plant doing heat treating. Until recent years these furnaces, as their name signifies, were simple boxes with a door at one end and an insulated heating chamber with a hearth for receiving the work. Some were provided with protective atmospheres, but they all shared one feature: The operator removed the work manually and transferred it through air to the quench tank. A certain amount of discoloration and scaling was inevitable.

The modern furnaces have a hooded quench tank built integrally with the furnace, and automatic means of charging the work into the furnace on racks or trays and subsequently transferring it from the furnace into the quench tank. This entire operation is performed in a protective atmosphere to prevent exposure of the hot metal to oxidizing or decarburizing atmospheres so that the heat treated work retains its original machined luster. The furnaces are often provided with fans to circulate the hot atmosphere, speed

up the heating rate and uniformly subject all parts undergoing heat treatment to the atmosphere. Bright hardening, carbon restoration, carburizing and carbo-nitriding are the treatments commonly performed.

Some "box" furnaces are arranged for charging at one end and discharging at the opposite end. In such a furnace the discharge chamber may have a fan for rapidly recirculating a cooling gas. It would be used for heat treating so-called air quenching steels and for annealing and tempering. Enclosed quench tanks can also be provided in the straight through-type of box furnace.

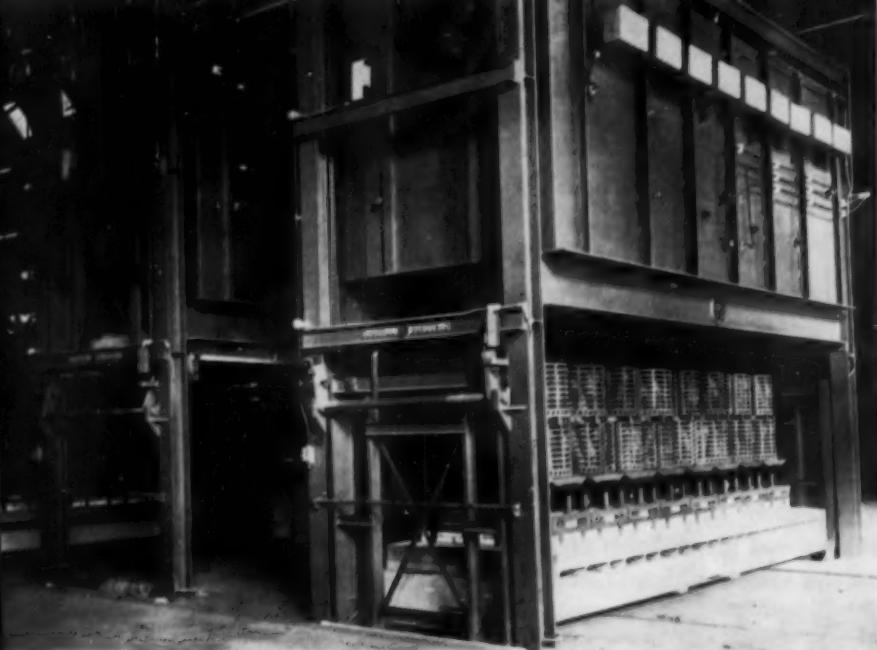
In many designs all operations are automatic after the charge is placed on the charging platform. The various sequences and progressions are program controlled by an electric timer and limit switches. Means are provided for rapidly recirculating the quenching medium and automatically maintaining its proper temperature; this may call for either cooling or, as in martempering, heating.

Bright annealing and brazing of stainless steels introduce new problems. Chromium oxides can be reduced only in atmospheres of unusually high purity. Purified hydrogen or dissociated ammonia atmospheres are most commonly used and these gases must be maintained in the furnace at very low dew point, sometimes on long cycle work as low as -70° F.

Furnaces for bright annealing and brazing of stainless steels must be tightly sealed from air infiltration and use metal retorts of heat resisting

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Elevator Type (Two-Part) for Annealing Malleable Iron Castings



alloys to shield the protective atmosphere from contamination by the brick lining of the furnace. Tightly sealed purging vestibules are required at the charge and discharge ends. The fact that the copper brazing of stainless steel, which requires the elimination of all surface oxides, is a practical production operation in this type of furnace illustrates the success of maintaining very high purity atmospheres in furnaces operating at high temperatures.

Elevator Furnaces — The photograph above illustrates a type of furnace in which the charge — malleable iron castings in this instance — provides its own atmosphere. A slight amount of carbon diffusing through the surfaces of the castings combines with the air in the furnace to create an atmosphere that is almost wholly CO and N. This is maintained throughout the cycle and only a negligible loss in carbon and scaling occurs. These furnaces are usually operated in pairs, one for high temperature and the other for the low temperature or the graphite precipitation part of the cycle.

Bell-Type — Cover or bell-type furnaces are also used in a similar manner. They have extensive application for the annealing of steel sheet and tin plate strip, and for annealing aluminum strip. These furnaces may contain either single or multiple stacks; the illustration at the top of the opposite page shows a single-stack bell type heated by gas-fired radiant tubes. An inner cover with its lower edge embedded in a sand seal in the base of the furnace effectively shields the charge from outside atmospheres during the

heating and cooling cycles and confines the prepared atmosphere to a space where it can protect the work.

A fan placed in the furnace base rapidly recirculates the gas around the coils to speed the heating and to equalize the temperatures throughout the stack of coils. Heating time is further decreased by placing deflectors between the coils in a stack to deflect part of the recirculating gas through a desired path.

In the multiple-stack bell furnace, a number of inner hoods similar to the ones used in the single-stack furnace are enclosed in a single rectangular cover. A fan is provided in the base of each inner cover. The cover or bell is removed from both types of furnaces and transferred to another base when the charge reaches temperature. The inner covers remain in place holding the protective atmosphere until the charge cools to a temperature at which it will not discolor when exposed to the air.

The older mill practice for "correcting" surfaces of high-carbon bar stock which has been decarburized during hot rolling is to remove the decarburized surface by grinding or machining. However, one of the large eastern mills now restores such lost carbon during the anneal, spheroidization, or normalizing treatment in furnaces like the one shown on p. 94. In this photograph the charge is shown on the furnace car. The bell-type furnace in the background is raised and the car is pushed directly under it. The furnace is then lowered into an air-tight sand seal around the edges. Controlled atmos-

pheres with the proper carbon potential are then introduced to restore the depleted carbon on the surface of the bars.

Continuous Furnaces

Mesh Belt Furnaces — These have found widespread application for the bright annealing, brazing and sintering of small parts. A woven wire belt of high-temperature alloy moves over large pulleys at either end and carries the work through the heating and cooling chambers. Satisfactory operation is obtained at temperatures up to 2100° F. Flame curtains, asbestos curtains, and other means are provided to reduce infiltration of air through the open ends; even so, fairly large quantities of atmosphere gas are needed to maintain reducing conditions. Ease of operation and the high quality of bright parts delivered by the mesh belt furnace have led to its popularity.

To obtain an uncontaminated controlled atmosphere within the furnace, as for the bright annealing of stainless steel, construction must be modified. Inclined vestibules at the charge and discharge ends confine the lightweight gas, hydrogen or dissociated ammonia, to the elevated chambers for heating and cooling. Such a design also has the advantage of greatly reducing the consumption of controlled atmosphere.

Another kind of continuous furnace for bright hardening of small parts is the shaker or reciprocating hearth furnace. Oscillation imparted to the movable hearth advances parts placed on it at a controlled rate through the furnace; finally they drop through a sealed chute into the quench tank. With the furnace tightly sealed by the quenching medium at one end, atmospheres with a controlled carbon potential can be applied,



Single-Stack Bell Furnace for Heat Treating Coils of Strip

Roller-Hearth Furnace for Bright Annealing of Alloy Steel Tubes





and parts are delivered with bright, uniformly hardened surfaces.

Automatic feeding and discharge conveyors from the quench tank minimize manual labor.

Pusher-type — Material placed on alloy trays or in alloy containers and pushed through a furnace on skids or roller rails is another widely used method of conveying material through a continuous furnace. Hydraulic or mechanical pushers advance the containers through the furnace on a pre-set time cycle, interlocked with a door-operating mechanism.

The pusher furnace with atmosphere control, which is used extensively for annealing gray iron and malleable iron castings, has greatly reduced the time of heat treatment. Many of these furnaces are now operating on cycles of 20 hr. and less, a sharp contrast with the 160 to 200 hr. required by the older batch or pack furnaces. An exothermic gas is commonly used.

Roller-Hearth — With this type the work is conveyed through the heating and cooling chambers on rolls whose shafts extend through the furnace walls and rotate in external bearings. The projecting ends of the rolls, which are usually driven through sprocket and chain, rotate on external bearings sealed to prevent leakage of controlled atmospheres.

Parts long enough to span the distance between rolls can be conveyed directly on the rolls (that is, without trays or carriers) such as the alloy steel tubing being bright annealed shown

on p. 93. Output of this unit is 3000 lb. per hr. Other uses of roller-hearth furnaces include annealing of steel parts, gray iron and malleable castings, normalizing, sintering, cycle annealing and hardening of high-carbon steel parts.

Rotary furnaces are convenient for parts that must be removed from the furnace for fixture quenching or hot working. Automotive parts for instance, may be charged through one door, carried around on doughnut-shaped hearth through the heating chamber, and removed by hand through a door near the charging door and pressure quenched to minimize distortion. One man can handle both the charging and the quenching. Some makers use the same door both for charging and for discharging. One of the advantages of the rotary furnace is that the entire furnace lining, including the rotating hearth, can be of refractories and thus is not subject to the temperature limitations imposed on alloy parts.

Furnaces for Strip — The continuous annealing of strip, a process of rather recent origin, has demonstrated many advantages over batch annealing for many products. Heating cycles are exceedingly short and every part of the strip goes through the same time-temperature cycle.

One of the largest furnaces of this kind is 103 ft. long, 20 ft. wide and 63 ft. high (described in *Metal Progress*, February 1952, p. 62). It anneals tin plate strip at the rate of 1000 ft. per min., or 30 tons per hr. The heating chamber, heated by gas fired radiant tubes, provides six passes of the

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a gas and the computed flame temperature with no excess air.

Figure 1 shows the speed of burning of various

cal properties of the reacting gases. Under actual operating conditions, they will be lower, since the theoretical temperature does not take into

strip, or about 325 ft. This is followed by an electrically heated holding chamber of six passes, then a retarded cooling chamber which cools the strip from 1350 to 1200° F. in 6 sec. and finally through 20 individually water-jacketed cooling chambers that cool the strip finally to 200° F. The controlled atmosphere used in the furnace and cooling chambers maintains the bright, cold rolled finish of the strip.

Similar furnaces are used for annealing strip preparatory to galvanizing. In these the strip is cooled only to the galvanizing temperature and is drawn directly into the zinc bath from a furnace duct with its discharge end submerged in the zinc. The cleansing action of the controlled

atmosphere in the furnace provides bare metal of a texture which is an ideal base for the zinc, and the coatings are far more tenacious than those obtained by former galvanizing methods—in fact, galvanized sheet produced by this method can withstand severe deep drawing.

Controlled-atmosphere furnaces have been essential to the increase of production and the lowering of costs, and have even helped to create a wide variety of new products. Because advancements in furnace design are constantly bringing new benefits, cutting costs and offering new processes, controlled-atmosphere furnaces should merit a high place in every plant modernization program.



Gas Combustion Equipment

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The combustible properties of gases depend on the constituents in a gas and on the flame temperature; the commonly used combustion systems and their qualifications are described.

THE GROWTH of the metal industry during the past decade has been paralleled by the use of gas in industrial heating applications. This growth in the use of industrial gas clearly indicates that people affiliated with metalworking should have an understanding of the elements of gas combustion and the equipment that is available.

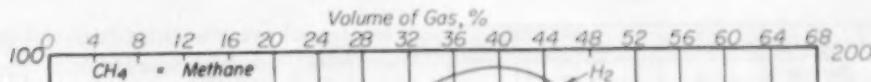
To keep within limited space, this report on a broad subject will be confined to two parts—first, the important properties of commercial

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gases that affect combustion, and second, a description of the basic combustion systems being used in industry.

Tables I and II list the compositions of 26 commercial gases most widely used in industry, and the products of their combustion. Mixed or blended gases are also used. All of the data in Tables I and II have a bearing on the use of a particular gas. However, because this report will be confined to the broad scope of gas combustion, attention will be directed to the two listings that concern the combustible properties of the gas—the chemical constituents of

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a gas and the computed flame temperature with no excess air.

Figure 1 shows the speed of burning of various gases. The extremes encountered in industry are hydrogen, which is the fastest burning (190 in. per sec.), and methane, the slowest burning commercial gas (22 in. per sec.). Mixtures of gases with the slower burning rates can be used in delayed combustion applications, such as luminous flame, and will have a greater turndown rate (operation below the maximum thermal output of a burner and gas system). On account of their slower burning rate, better retention (ability of flame to stay at the part) or ignition qualities must be incorporated in the burner design. On the other hand, mixtures of fast-burning gases are not as adaptable to delayed combustion applications and are more susceptible to backfire. The faster burning gas needs less burner retention.

Flame temperature must be taken into account when considering operating temperatures of a particular application, and also in burner design. The temperatures listed in the last column of Table II are theoretical—that is to say, computed from thermal and thermo-chemi-

cal properties of the reacting gases. Under actual operating conditions, they will be lower, since the theoretical temperature does not take into account the heat losses from the flame.

Another property that should be considered is the limit of inflammability of a gas, as shown in Fig. 2. It will be noted that hydrogen has a lower limit of 4% by volume and an upper limit of 74%. Methane has a range of 5 to 15%. The importance of this property is two-fold: (a) It determines the safety of the air-gas mixture and (b) it determines the minimum and maximum limits of burning when air is being mixed with a gas in a combustion system.

Combustion Systems

The five common systems of combustion used in industrial furnaces are:

1. Two-pipe system.
2. Single-pipe system.
3. Two-valve control system.
4. Low-pressure proportional mixer system.
5. Central mixing system.

A simple pictorial representation of each is given in Fig. 3, together with two columns listing the factors affecting the selection of each. One

Table I—Composition of Commercial Gases; % by Volume

GAS	CO ₂	O ₂	N ₂	CO	H ₂	CH ₄	C ₂ H ₆	C ₃ H ₈	C ₆ H ₆	SPECIFIC GRAVITY
Natural Gas (Birmingham)	—	—	5.0	—	—	90.0	5.0	—	—	0.60
Natural gas (Pittsburgh)	—	—	0.8	—	—	83.4	15.8	—	—	0.61
Natural gas (So. California)	0.7	—	0.5	—	—	84.0	14.8	—	—	0.64
Natural gas (Los Angeles)	6.5	—	—	—	—	77.5	16.0	—	—	0.70
Natural gas (Kansas City)	0.8	—	8.4	—	—	84.1	6.7	—	—	0.63
Reformed natural gas (C ₄ H ₈ , 0.8%)	1.4	0.2	2.9	0.7	46.6	37.1	—	1.3	—	0.41
Mixed, natural and water gas	4.4	2.1	4.7	25.5	35.1	23.1	4.7	0.2	0.2	0.61
Coke oven gas	2.2	0.8	8.1	6.3	46.5	32.1	—	3.5	0.5	0.44
Coal gas (continuous verticals)	3.0	0.2	4.4	10.9	54.5	24.2	—	1.5	1.3	0.42
Coal gas (inclined retorts)	1.7	0.8	8.1	7.3	49.5	29.2	—	0.4	3.0	0.47
Coal gas (intermittent verticals)	1.7	0.5	8.2	6.9	49.7	29.9	—	3.0	0.1	0.41
Coal gas (horizontal retorts)	2.4	0.75	11.35	7.35	47.95	27.15	—	1.32	1.73	0.47
Mixed coke oven and carb. water gas	3.4	0.3	12.0	17.4	36.8	24.9	—	3.7	1.5	0.58
Mixed coal, coke oven and carb. water gas	1.8	1.6	13.6	9.0	42.6	28.0	—	2.4	1.0	0.50
Carburetted water gas	3.0	0.5	2.9	34.0	40.5	10.2	—	6.1	2.8	0.63
Carburetted water gas	4.3	0.7	6.5	32.0	34.0	15.5	—	4.7	2.3	0.67
Carburetted water gas (low gravity)	2.8	1.0	5.1	21.0	47.5	15.0	—	5.2	2.4	0.54
Water gas (coke)	5.4	0.7	8.3	37.0	47.3	1.3	—	—	—	0.57
Water gas (bituminous)	5.5	0.9	27.6	28.2	32.5	4.6	—	0.4	0.3	0.70
Oil gas (Pacific Coast)	4.7	0.3	3.6	12.7	48.6	26.3	—	2.7	1.1	0.47
Producer gas (buckwheat anthracite)	8.0	0.1	50.0	23.2	17.7	1.0	—	—	—	0.86
Producer gas (bituminous)	4.5	0.6	50.9	27.0	14.0	3.0	—	—	—	0.86
Producer gas (0.6 lb. steam per lb. of coke)	6.4	—	52.8	27.1	13.3	0.4	—	—	—	0.88
Blast furnace gas	11.5	—	60.0	27.5	1.0	—	—	—	—	1.02
Commercial butane					C ₄ H ₁₀ 93.0; C ₃ H ₈ 7.0					1.95
Commercial propane					C ₃ H ₈ 100.0					1.52

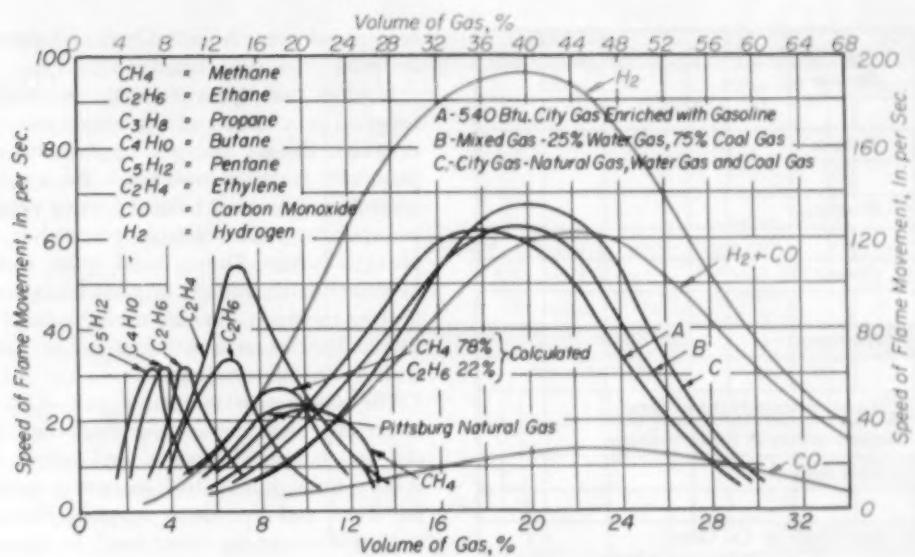


Fig. 1 — Speed of Uniform Movement of Flame in Various Gas-Air Mixtures in a 1-In. Tube. Note that curves in color are on a different scale from those in black

Table II — Combustion of Commercial Gases

GAS	AIR*	BTU. PER CU. FT.		PRODUCTS OF COMBUSTION PER CU. FT. OF GAS				ULTIMATE % CO ₂	BTU.†	FLAME TEMP., °F.
		GROSS	NET	H ₂ O	CO ₂	N ₂	TOTAL			
Natural gas (Birmingham)	9.41	1002	904	2.02	1.00	7.48	10.50	11.8	86.0	3565
Natural gas (Pittsburgh)	10.58	1129	1021	2.22	1.15	8.37	11.73	12.1	87.0	3562
Natural gas (So. California)	10.47	1116	1009	2.20	1.14	8.28	11.62	12.1	87.0	3550
Natural gas (Los Angeles)	10.05	1073	971	2.10	1.16	7.94	11.20	12.7	86.7	3550
Natural gas (Kansas City)	9.13	974	879	1.95	0.98	7.30	10.23	11.9	86.0	3535
Reformed natural gas	5.22	599	536	1.30	0.53	4.16	5.99	11.3	89.6	3615
Mixed, natural and water gas	4.43	525	477	1.01	0.64	3.55	5.20	15.3	91.7	3630
Coke oven gas	4.99	574	514	1.25	0.51	4.02	5.78	11.2	87.0	3610
Coal gas (continuous verticals)	4.53	532	477	1.15	0.49	3.62	5.26	11.9	90.7	3645
Coal gas (inclined retorts)	5.23	599	540	1.23	0.57	4.21	6.01	11.9	89.9	3660
Coal gas (intermittent verticals)	4.64	540	482	1.21	0.45	3.75	5.41	10.7	89.0	3610
Coal gas (horizontal retorts)	4.68	542	486	1.15	0.50	3.81	5.46	11.6	89.0	3600
Mixed coke oven and carb. water gas	4.71	545	495	1.04	0.62	3.85	5.51	13.9	90.0	3630
Mixed coal, coke oven and carb. water gas	4.52	528	475	1.11	0.50	3.71	5.32	11.8	89.3	3640
Carburetted water gas	4.60	550	508	0.87	0.76	3.66	5.29	17.2	96.2	3725
Carburetted water gas	4.51	534	493	0.75	0.86	3.63	5.24	17.1	94.2	3700
Carburetted water gas (low gravity)	4.61	549	501	0.98	0.64	3.70	5.31	14.7	94.3	3690
Water gas (coke)	2.10	287	262	0.53	0.44	1.74	2.71	20.1	96.6	3670
Water gas (bituminous)	2.01	261	239	0.47	0.41	1.86	2.74	18.0	87.2	3510
Oil gas (Pacific Coast)	4.73	551	496	1.15	0.56	3.77	5.48	12.9	90.5	3630
Producer gas (buckwheat anthracite)	1.06	143	133	0.22	0.32	1.34	1.88	19.4	70.5	3040
Producer gas (bituminous)	1.23	163	153	0.23	0.35	1.48	2.05	18.9	74.6	3175
Producer gas (0.6 lb. steam per lb. of coke)	1.00	135	128	0.17	0.34	1.32	1.82	20.5	70.3	3010
Blast furnace gas	0.68	92	92	0.02	0.39	1.14	1.54	25.5	59.5	2650
Commercial butane	30.47	3225	2977	4.93	3.93	24.07	32.93	14.0	90.5	3640
Commercial propane	23.82	2572	2371	4.17	3.00	18.82	25.99	13.7	91.2	3660

*Cubic feet required for combustion of 1 cu. ft. of gas. †Net, per cubic foot of products of combustion.

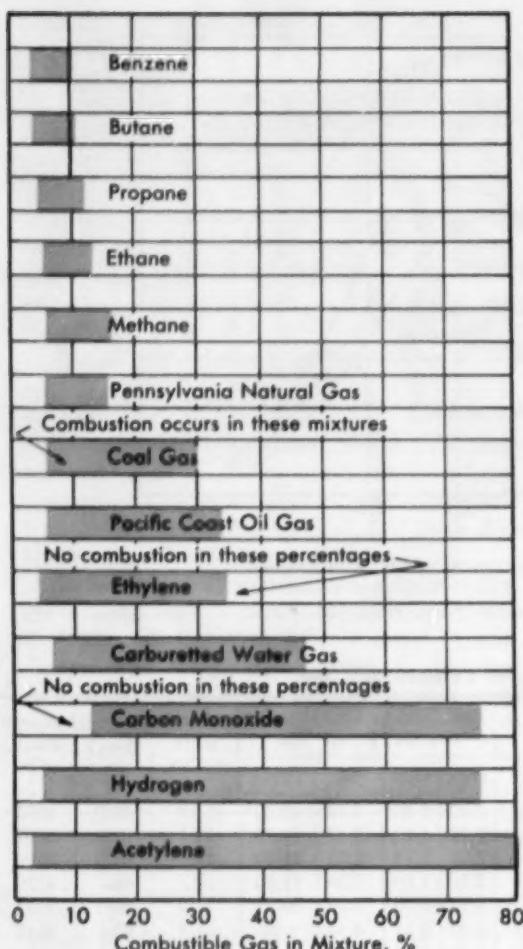


Fig. 2—Inflammability Limits of Gases, as Determined by Research Dept., Standard Oil Co., of N.J.

column ranges the characteristics from minimum at top to maximum at bottom; the other column lists the characteristics in the opposite order of magnitude.

The two-pipe-system is very common. It employs an independent gas and air supply (at relatively high pressures) to the burner nozzle. Suitable regulating valves or automatic devices maintain a constant air-gas ratio at all ranges of burner input. The advantages of this are that it eliminates the possibility of backfiring and permits a wide range of operation.

Various modifications of the two-pipe system are in common use. In large openhearth furnaces and glass tanks, such a system for air and gas delays the ignition inside the furnace so flame

can spread over the entire bath and provide the desirable high heat transfer rate.

In other two-pipe systems the gas and air are supplied to a burner of the nozzle mixing type, in which the air and gas are introduced independently to the burner head, the air-gas ratio controlled through a balanced valve system that incorporates either variable port valves or diaphragm valves. This is used quite widely for luminous flame burners in glass tanks and billet heating furnaces. A nozzle mixing type of burner cannot backfire and therefore has an extremely wide range of turndown.

The single-pipe system is one of the most commonly used methods for domestic, commercial and industrial heating applications. Mixing is done through a venturi; the gas is the entraining force and the air is supplied through the venturi sleeve at the mixer head. In the majority of low-pressure gas applications, 30 to 50% of the required air is supplied as primary air (through the mixer head) and the remainder as secondary air at the burner port. All or part of the air can be entrained by the injector; pressures at the burner head up to 4 in. can be developed at full air-gas mixture. On the other hand, a partial mixture can be made by the injector, and the rest of the required air can be supplied as secondary air to the tip of the burner (which is generally a retention type).

This system has the advantages of simplified piping. It is simple to adjust and regulate. The range of turndown is limited and it is not recommended where the internal pressure in the furnace is a factor of importance. Because of its simplicity, the system is not only one of the most commonly used but is probably one of the most abused.

Two-valve mixture control—In many applications where the range of turndown is not important and air and gas pressures are fairly constant, a simple two-valve mixing tee—consisting of an air jet limiting the amount of air and a side inlet for admission of gas—is the most economical mixing device. Its disadvantage is that it requires resetting of gas and air controls for each change in gas input. It is commonly used with any type of premix burner, but is not adaptable to any means of automatic control. This was a forerunner of the automatic mixing system which uses the "low-pressure proportional mixer."

The low-pressure proportional mixing system incorporates a venturi mixer to which is coupled a zero governor. About 30 years ago a

zero governor was developed that could supply gas at atmospheric pressure to a venturi tube, in a volume proportion to the suction produced by an auxiliary air stream. With this system temperature may be automatically and simply controlled by a single valve on the air supply, and yet meet a wide range of requirements, including large and small heat treating furnaces, atmosphere generators and kilns. Sometimes the burner and mixing devices are combined. One of the disadvantages of the proportional mixing system is that the area of air-jet must be carefully adjusted to the existing burner port. A recent development of a variable type jet has eliminated many of the difficulties previously encountered.

The central mixing system provides a controlled air-gas mixture from a single source by use of an area proportioning valve and a compressor. A properly designed mixer of this type maintains pre-set ratios regardless of output, permitting an individual burner to vary in consumption without affecting any of the other burners hooked up to the system.

Since the air and gas are completely premixed in the manifold, precautions must be taken to eliminate backfire in multiple installations by installing proper arrestors at the individual burners, and soft-head blowouts on large manifolds. The system is especially adaptable to installations requiring multiple burners of widely variable input, or where a central mixing system is desirable for multiple appliances requiring full pre-mix. Several designs are available which provide mixture pressures up to 4 or 5 lb., which is the maximum generally required. Because this particular mixing system can hold air-gas ratios very exactly, and has high range of turndown, it has a distinct advantage with multiple burners or multiple spot heating.

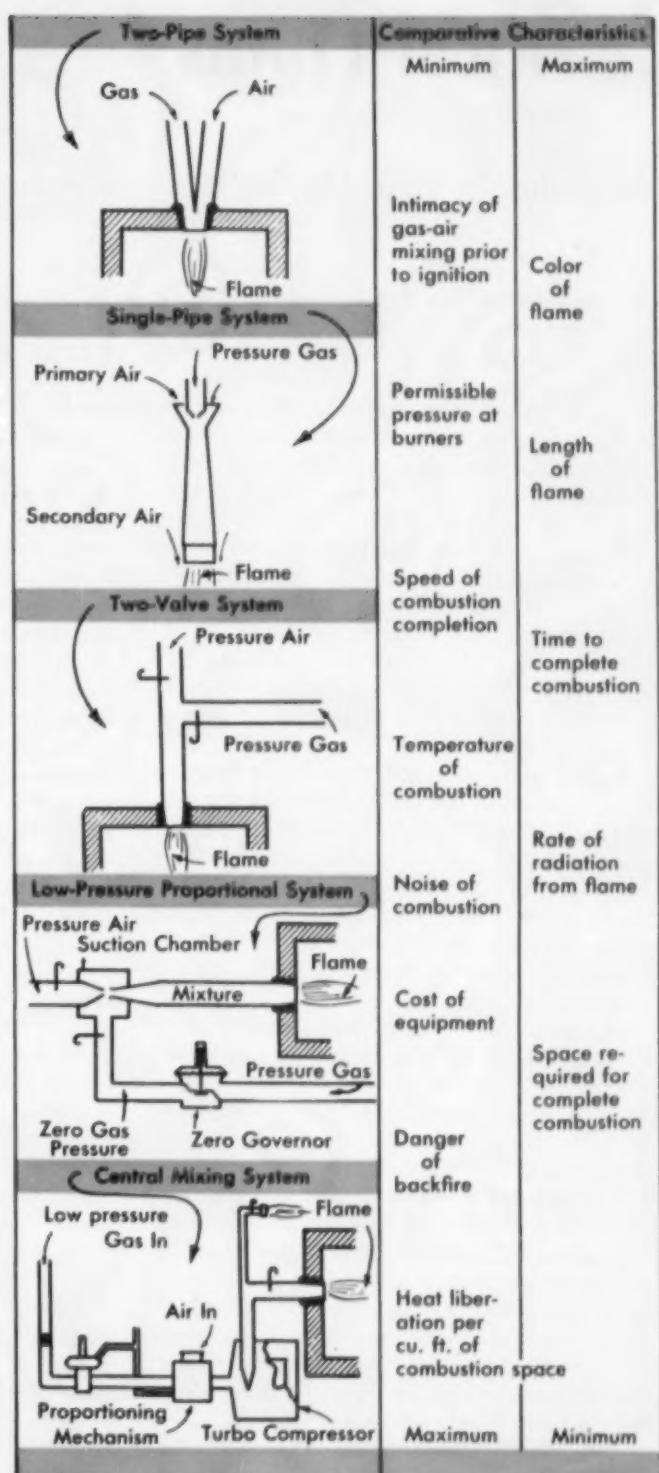


Fig. 3 - Comparative Characteristics of Combustion Systems

Critical Points

Evolution in Steel Melting

SOME IMPORTANT changes in steelmaking processes are already foreshadowed, if not already upon us. They speed up melting rates, and thus greatly reduce labor charges. Labor rates are prime factors in cost, having increased from about \$1.45 per hr. in 1943 to \$2.70 in 1954, these figures inclusive of social benefits. The quality of the metal produced is adequate. Some steelmen, not given to exuberant prophecy, have stated that no more stationary openhearth furnaces would be built except in locations where an unusual combination of conditions exist with respect to fuel supply, power, raw material and transportation.

Let us look at this evolution in steelmaking in the light of history.

Following the demise of the acid bessemer process in the United States about 1910, most American steel — 80 to 90% of it — has been made in the basic-lined stationary openhearth furnace. Steel executives have been so convinced that this practice would continue indefinitely that since 1945 over 30,000,000 tons of new capacity has been installed, mostly as basic openhearth stationary furnaces, with the very high investment cost of \$100 to \$300 per annual ingot ton, totaling about six billion dollars.

In Europe, on the other hand, 60% of the steel has been made by the basic bessemer process and 40% in the basic-lined stationary openhearth. These processes are, as is well known, adaptable to the high-phosphorus iron ores and pig irons indigenous to that region. The high nitrogen content of bessemer steel, both basic and acid, has tended to restrict its use to such products as bars, wire and small structural shapes (at least in the United States) and has excluded it from most flat products such as sheet, strip and plates which comprise almost 50% of all the tonnage. The great increase of welding and cold forming as fabrication processes has further decreased the applicability of steels high in nitrogen. It is obvious that the old bottom-blown bessemer process will some day be incapable of making the quality of steel demanded by modern industry, and European

metallurgical literature contains many studies of ways and means of reducing the nitrogen content of air-blown metal.

Several technical and economic factors have also directed the attention of American steelmen to the numerous disadvantages of the basic-lined stationary openhearth furnace operations. Some of the more important of these are:

1. Inability of the openhearth to make high-quality carbon and alloy steels in competition with the electric furnace.
2. Very high capital investment cost — from \$100 to \$300 per annual ingot ton.
3. Low melting capacity; 15 tons per hr.
4. Very high and increasing labor costs; \$3.00 per ton.
5. Increasing fuel costs.
6. High and increasing costs of refractories and repairs.

What is the alternative?

The basic arc furnace came into its own between 1941 and 1946. Retractable tops permitted rapid and economical charging of scrap. Additions of hot metal as large as 50% were found not only possible but advantageous. When furnaces were built as large as 100 tons capacity or larger, melting costs of simple tonnage steels were no higher than in openhearth furnaces. Hot metal charges reduced power costs; capital costs, repairs, labor and refractories are all cheaper than for the basic openhearts. The melter has better control of slags and the finishing stages. The cost of power has remained nearly stationary at about 1¢ per kw-hr.

The possibilities of the large electric furnace as a tonnage steel melter had hardly been appreciated and put into practice before we had another process, developed at Linz and Donawitz in Austria and already in operation by Dominion Foundries and Steel, Ltd. in Hamilton, Ont. This is the top blowing of pig iron with oxygen in a basic-lined vessel. Already it has been amply demonstrated that low-nitrogen rimming steels of good cold forming properties may readily be made when oxygen of over 95% purity is blown onto molten pig iron. The temperature developed is so great that 25% of cold scrap must be added to cool the bath. This is very cheap scrap melting. Oxygen consumption is about 2000 cu. ft. per ton of steel; its cost is less than \$1.00 per ton of steel. One 40-ton vessel or converter will produce 80 tons of steel per hr. — at least four times the output of a conventional stationary openhearth furnace! Capital cost of such a plant is less than half the cost of an openhearth plant

of equal capacity. The over-all cost per ton of steel in the oxygen-blown converter should be much lower than in the openhearth furnace; several writers have given a range of \$4.00 to \$6.00 per ton. Obviously, this would represent a great annual saving in any plant producing over a million tons per year.

The impact of oxygen in steelmaking is just being felt in another direction — the desiliconizing of hot metal with oxygen down to about 0.20% Si max. before charging the hot metal into the openhearth or electric furnace. (Carbon also comes down to 2 to 3%.) When this operation is properly carried out, a low-silicon hot metal at a temperature of 2900° F. is charged, slag volume is reduced, ore and limestone charges are much smaller. Reasonable calculations show that for a charge of half scrap and half desiliconized hot metal instead of half scrap and half high-silicon hot metal from the mixer at 2400° F., a heat will

melt in one fifth less time, save one quarter of the fuel, and make an over-all savings of about \$4.00 per ton of steel. Moreover, slag volume is reduced over 60%, limestone 65% and ore charge 35%. This desiliconizing operation is highly beneficial in either the openhearth or electric furnace and more will undoubtedly be heard of this in the near future.

At the present time four steel plants have introduced the top-blown oxygen converter. One mill in India and one in Germany has been testing desiliconized hot metal made with high-purity oxygen. One large American steel company has been successfully desiliconizing hot metal with air or oxygen-enriched air for several years.

These new practices will certainly spread as the advantages are more accurately assessed. A rapid evolution if not a revolution in steelmaking is upon us.

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Arc-Cast Molybdenum— Fabrication of Parts

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In this, the third in a series of articles about arc-cast molybdenum and molybdenum-base alloys, general characteristics that govern mechanical properties and, in turn, successful working methods are described. Most of the conventional methods of fabrication can be used with little or no modification.

FIVE GENERAL characteristics of molybdenum and its alloys should be considered when planning any working operation:

1. The mechanical properties of unalloyed molybdenum, and the four arc-cast alloys commercial today, depend largely on the amount of working done below the recrystallization temperature (so-called warm working). For best

ductility, parts should be given at least a 50% reduction in area by warm working.

2. Full recrystallization gives lower strengths than do other prior treatments, so fully recrystallized molybdenum flows more easily in working. It does, however, have very poor bending

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properties although the tensile elongation is higher than in other prior conditions. Therefore, fully recrystallized molybdenum is used for the fabrication of parts only if no bending or deep drawing is to be done, or if mechanical properties after working are not important, or if subsequent processing will involve sufficient warm work to produce the necessary properties.

3. Relative to its high melting and recrystallization temperatures, the properties of molybdenum at room temperature are equivalent to those of steel at much lower temperature. The toughness and ductility of molybdenum are consequently not very high at room temperature although they increase markedly at temperatures somewhat above room temperature, so at least a moderate amount of heating is recommended for all working operations, except for fine wire and thin sheet.

4. Because of its high thermal conductivity and low specific heat, molybdenum heats and cools much more rapidly than steel.

5. The unusually high strength of molybdenum and its alloys at elevated temperatures requires more powerful presses and hammers than are needed for any of the common metals.

Heating for Working — Except with very small sizes, molybdenum can be heated to about 700° F. in air without excessive oxidation, provided the heating time is not too long. Hot oil is recommended as a heating medium when molybdenum sheet is to be deep drawn in this temperature range. When higher temperatures are needed, a controlled-atmosphere furnace, a salt bath or induction heating may be used. The controlled-atmosphere furnace may be operated with either a vacuum, inert gas or a reducing atmosphere (which does not need to be strongly reducing). The molybdenum should not come in contact with slag or scale on the bottom of a furnace.

Die forging can be done by conventional methods, but not too much deformation is possible in one heat because the piece will cool rapidly. If mechanical properties are of no interest, a temperature of 2600 to 2800° F. is preferred for easy workability. If mechanical properties are to be controlled, forging and re-heating temperatures must also be controlled, to provide for at least 50% reduction by warm work below the recrystallization temperature. Reductions of as much as 90% have been made without any difficulty. Unalloyed molybdenum may be forged as low as 1700° F., but most alloys will crack if much work is done under 1900° F.

Pickling and Cleaning — Removal of heavy oxide coatings was discussed in Part II (see *Metal Progress*, May 1955, p. 89). A light oxide film on the surface of a part is often removed by heating for 10 to 30 min. in hydrogen at 1500 to 1800° F. and cooling in the same atmosphere. Ordinary cleaning or degreasing can be done by conventional methods. Parts for electronic tubes, which must be chemically clean, can be treated with the hot chromic acid solution commonly used for cleaning glass.

Forming, Bending, Spinning and Deep Drawing — With sheet up to about 0.020 in. thick, these operations can be carried out by conventional procedures at room temperature, but it is better practice to heat both the work and the tools. Heavier material must be heated to 200 to 1000° F., depending on size. Aluminum bronze or other material with a low coefficient of friction is preferred for tools for spinning and deep drawing. Highly chlorinated oils are satisfactory lubricants for deep drawing.

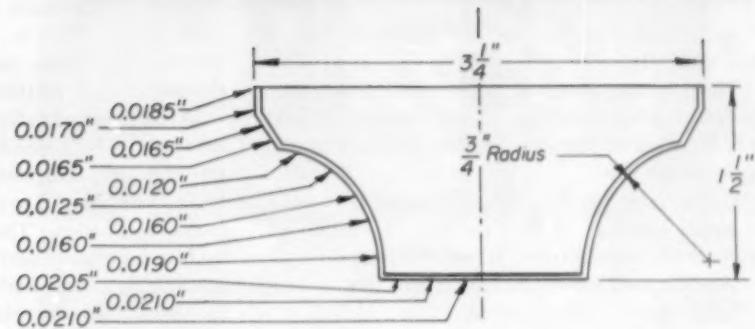
The considerable reduction in cross section which can be made by spinning is shown in Fig. 10, a cone spun from 0.020-in. sheet which was warmed with a torch during spinning. One company making magnetron parts draws cups 1½ in. deep by ½ in. diameter from 0.025-in. sheet by warming the sheet and the tools slightly. Wall reductions of as much as 22% have been made between anneals.

A new technique for deep drawing appears promising, since as many as six and seven draws without intermediate stress relieving have been successfully made with regular molybdenum sheet. In this technique (described in "Deep Drawing of Molybdenum", by F. Duckworth, *Machinery* (London), Vol. 84, 1954, p. 389 to 390) the usual process of drawing the cup through the die is revised; special tools are used to prevent wrinkling and to keep the molybdenum under tension while it is being drawn.

Machining and Grinding

Although general machining practices for arc-cast molybdenum are similar to those for molybdenum metal from powder-metallurgical processes, the former gives a much better finish and has less tendency to spall and crack when thin sections are machined. Unalloyed molybdenum in the as-cast condition and after warm working has a hardness ranging from Brinell 196 to 275, but is considerably more abrasive than steel at the same hardness. Prior treatment has little effect on the machinability of molybdenum.

Fig. 10 — Molybdenum Cone Produced by Spinning. Work and tool heated by torch



Either high speed steel or sintered carbide tools can be used for machining. Cast cobalt-base alloys have not proved satisfactory. Tool angles and rakes are in general similar to those for machining cast iron. A 50-50 mixture of chlorinated oil and trichloroethylene, or highly chlorinated oil is recommended as a cutting fluid.

Turning — Molybdenum can be turned to a good surface finish if the proper tools and lubrication are used. For machining of heavy sections or removing considerable stock, good results are obtained with high speed tools having a generous rake and usually with no lubrication. Speeds of about 50 ft. per min., with feeds of 0.010 to 0.020 in. per revolution and depths of cut up to $\frac{1}{4}$ in., are practical.

For finish turning, general-purpose straight tungsten carbide tools should be used. Recommended tool form is:

Back rake	0°
Side rake	0°
Edge cutting angle	18°
Relief	6°
Nose radius	0.010 in.

Cutting speed should be about 25 ft. per. min., feed 0.002 in. per revolution, and depth of cut 0.010 in. A recommended cutting lubricant is one part trichloroethylene and one part of a highly chlorinated oil.

Drilling, Reaming, Tapping and Threading — High speed steel is recommended for drilling. The tool should have a point angle of 118°. Cutting speed should be 25 ft. per min. and feed

0.005 in. per revolution. For the lubricant a highly chlorinated oil is recommended. It is best to relieve the pressure on the tool after drilling to a depth of about four times the diameter of the drill, so as to remove the rather abrasive chips. Good results can be obtained if the drill is mounted so it feeds from below the piece to allow the chips to fall out automatically. For good finish and accurate size, holes should be bored or honed after drilling.

Reaming should be avoided if possible because the cutting edge of the tool is dulled quickly, and binding occurs, causing tool breakage. On the other hand, no difficulties are encountered in tapping and threading. Threads can be cut with high speed steel on a lathe, or they can be roll formed if the metal and die are heated to approximately 325° F. Die threading is not recommended in the present state of the art.

Milling and Shaping — With high speed steel tools, shaping is preferred to milling because shaper tools last longer and are easier to regrind. However, excellent results have been reported for milling with carbide-tipped cutters.

Grinding — Molybdenum is not hard, as measured by indentation methods, but it is abrasive and resists grinding. No measurable difference has been found in the grinding characteristics of metal in stress-relieved and recrystallized conditions. Some experiments indicated that molybdenum could not be cracked by using heavy cuts, but cracking has been encountered with exceptionally light cuts (0.0002 to 0.0005 in. per pass).

Recommended Grinding Wheels

	CARBORUNDUM	NORTON
Surface grinding	AA60-K8-V40 or GA60-K6-V10	32A60-G12VBEP (dry) 19A46-J5VG (wet)
Cylindrical	DA465-L6-V11	19A60-L5VG
Cut-off	A601-R-RR	A601-N6R-50 with F sides
Bench	A36-N6V30	A36-N5VBE

A modification of the feed and speed eliminated this difficulty.

The grinding procedures given below are suggested starting points; necessary changes, if any, will be evident from the results obtained in the preliminary work.

For surface grinding the work must be cooled to avoid burning. A 60:1 mixture of soluble oil is generally satisfactory. Wheel data are:

Wheel speed - 6000 surface ft. per min.

Table speed - 50 ft. per min.

Cross feed - 1/32 in. per table traverse.

Infeed - Dry, 0.002 in.; wet 0.005 in.

For cylindrical grinding, cooling is as important as for surface grinding, and the same coolant can be used. Data for the operation are:

Wheel speed - 6500 surface ft. per min.

Work speed - 100 surface ft. per min.

Traverse rate - One third width of wheel per revolution with 0.001-in. infeed gave 30 M.I. rms.; one sixth width of wheel per revolution with 0.0005-in. infeed gave 12 M.I. rms.

Grinding wheels recommended by the manufacturers are shown in the tabulation above.

Joining

Molybdenum is often joined by brazing or riveting, but less frequently by welding. Considerable development work and several large-scale research programs on brazing and welding are under way, so some of the present problems should be solved in the not-too-distant future. Nevertheless, in planning joining methods, certain basic facts should be kept in mind.

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"Molybdenum Welding", by J. H. Johnston and J. Wulff, WADC Technical Report 53-260, July 1953 (Aeronautical Research Laboratory Contract No. AF 33 (616)-361 RDO No. 477-641).

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"Production of Sound Ductile Joints in Molybdenum", by M. I. Jacobson, D. C. Martin and C. B. Voldrich, WADC Technical Report 53-401, October 1953 (Mate-

Welding - A number of government-sponsored investigations on welding have been carried out at Battelle Memorial Institute, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Westinghouse Electric Corp.* These studies have shown that arc-cast molybdenum can be welded without porosity and with freedom

from cracks. This is generally not true of commercially available molybdenum made by powder-metallurgy methods.

Molybdenum has been successfully welded for many years by a number of methods. Resistance welding of small molybdenum parts has long been a commercial practice in the lamp and electronic industries. The most satisfactory welds in heavier sheets and parts are probably those made with atomic hydrogen or inert gas shielded arc with tungsten electrodes, with or without filler wire additions. The welds show brittle characteristics in bending at room temperature, but become quite ductile at 300 to 400° F. A large aircraft company found that arc-cast molybdenum could be welded into tubular sections and then expanded approximately 10% at 800° F. despite the brittleness of the welds at room temperature.

The ductility of molybdenum is adversely affected by even small amounts of oxygen. Therefore, for best ductility, welding must be done in a vacuum or a controlled atmosphere.

The high melting point, the high strength at elevated temperatures, and the high thermal conductivity of molybdenum raise problems in some types of welding, particularly the resistance methods.

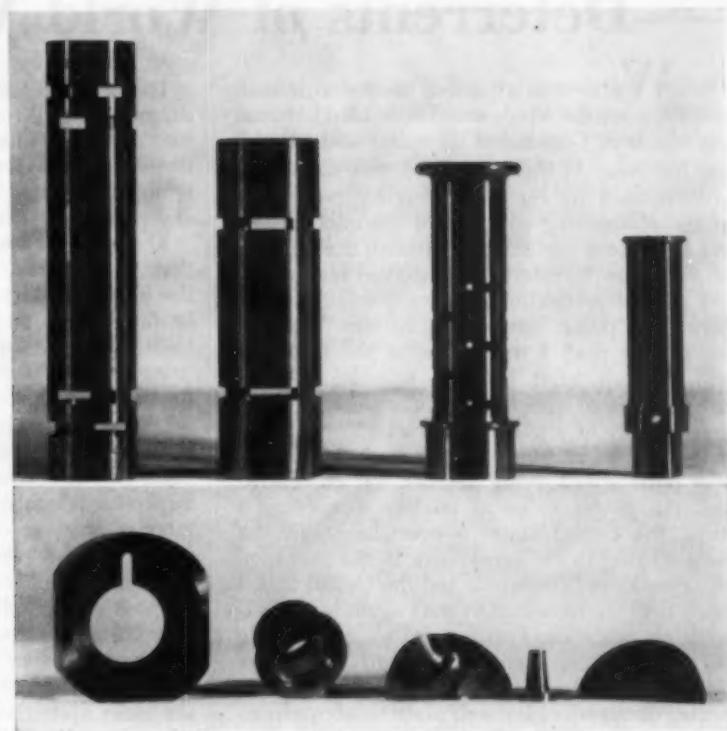
Brazing - The ductility of brazed joints may be superior to welded joints, provided the time at temperatures above about 1700° F. is kept to a minimum. Brazing, however, is not suitable for all uses. Also, filler alloys that are adaptable to relatively low-temperature brazing (and

rials Laboratory Contract No. AF 33 (616)-10 RDO No. R-446-48).

"Some Recent Advances in the Welding of Molybdenum", by W. H. Kearns, H. B. Goodwin, E. Eichen and D. C. Martin, *Welding Journal*, Vol. 32, 1953, p. 1082.

"Joining of Molybdenum", by W. N. Platte, WADC Technical Report 54-17, January 1954 (Materials Laboratory Contract No. AF 18 (600) 114 RDO No. 446-48 (L-G)).

Fig. 11—Parts Machined From Arc-Cast Molybdenum; (Top) from Unalloyed Bar Stock for Use in Magnetrons, (Bottom) for Braze Die



which avoid embrittlement of the parent metal) are unsatisfactory for high-temperature applications. Copper or silver brazing alloys are usually chosen where temperatures in service are not high. Many brazing materials have been tried for high-temperature structural applications, but as yet none has proved completely satisfactory.

Mechanical Joining—Mechanical means of joining (as riveting) offer possibilities for some applications although not for parts that must be gas or liquid tight. Little has yet been done to determine the feasibility of combinations of mechanical joints (such as lock seams) with subsequent brazing or welding.

Recrystallizing and Stress Relieving

As will be shown in Part IV, fully recrystallized molybdenum has lower strength and generally lower toughness at room and elevated temperatures than material in the as-rolled or stress-relieved conditions. Therefore, full recrystallization is ordinarily used only as an intermediate treatment to refine the grain prior to further warm working, or to reduce the hardness so that large reductions can be made by warm working without cracking. In some special circumstances metal is fully recrystallized to obtain a low

strength similar to that of a weld and its heat-affected zone, so a weldment will respond uniformly to expansion or other working.

The required minimum temperature for full recrystallization depends not only on composition but also on prior structure and time at temperature. Consequently, precise schedules must be determined by trial. The minimum temperatures needed for full recrystallization in one hour of $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. diameter bars (produced by rolling $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. round billets at 2200 to 1900° F.) were found to be as follows:

unalloyed	2150° F.
0.3% Cr	2200
0.5% Ti	2450
1% V	2150

Controlled atmospheres, as mentioned above under "Heating for Working", are necessary.

Stress relieving may be used either as an intermediate or final heat treatment. The maximum temperature for stress relieving unalloyed molybdenum is 1830° F.; some of the molybdenum-base alloys with higher recrystallization temperatures may be stress relieved at proportionately higher temperatures. Normally the molybdenum is rapidly cooled in air after stress relieving, but the ductility of severely worked sheet may be improved by slow cooling.

—Deterrents of World War III*

WE LIVE in a period, unique in human history, when the whole world is divided between the creeds of Communist discipline and individual freedom. At the same time, this division is accompanied by the possession by both sides of the obliterating weapons of the nuclear age. We have force and science, hitherto the servants of man, now threatening to become his master.

I am not pretending to have a solution for a permanent peace between the nations. We pray for it. Nor shall I try to discuss the cold war which we all detest, but have to endure. I shall only venture to offer to the House some observations mainly of a general character.

What is the present position? Only three countries possess, in varying degrees, the knowledge and the power to make nuclear weapons. Of these, the United States is overwhelmingly the chief. Owing to the breakdown in the exchange of information between us and the United States since 1946 we have had to start again independently on our own. Fortunately, we have made our own atomic bombs. Although the Soviet stockpile of atomic bombs may be greater, British discoveries may well place us above them in fundamental science.

Confronted with the hydrogen bomb, we have started to make that one, too. It is this grave decision which we are discussing this afternoon. There is an immense gulf between the atomic and the hydrogen bomb. The atomic bomb, with all its terrors, did not carry us outside the scope of human control or manageable events in thought or action, in peace or war. But when the chairman of the United States Congressional Committee gave the first comprehensive review of the hydrogen bomb, the entire foundation of human affairs was revolutionized, and mankind placed in a situation both measureless and laden with doom.

A quantity of plutonium probably less than would fill this box on the table would suffice to produce weapons which would give world domination to any Power which was the only one to have it. There is no absolute defense against the hydrogen bomb. Nor is any method in sight by which any country can be guaranteed against the devastating injury which a score of them might inflict on wide regions.

What ought we to do? Which way shall we turn to save our lives and the future of the world? What would lie before the little children, playing their merry games, if God wearied of mankind?

*Verbatim extracts from statement by the Prime Minister of Great Britain, Sir Winston Churchill, before the House of Commons, March 1, 1955.

The best defense would of course be *bona fide* disarmament all round. This is in all our hearts. But sentiment must not cloud our vision. The long history and tradition of Russia makes it repugnant to the Soviet Government to accept any practical system of international inspection.

A second difficulty lies in the circumstance that, just as the United States has, we believe, the overwhelming mastery in nuclear weapons, so the Soviets and their Communist Satellites have immense superiority in what are called "conventional" forces — the sort of arms and forces with which we fought the last war.

Unless a trustworthy and universal agreement upon disarmament, conventional and nuclear alike, can be reached and an effective system of inspection is established and is actually working, there is only one sane policy for the free world in the next few years. That is what we call defense through deterrents. This we have already adopted and proclaimed. These deterrents may at any time become the parents of disarmament, provided that they deter. To make our contribution to the deterrent we must ourselves possess the most up-to-date nuclear weapons, and the means of delivering them. We, too, must possess substantial deterrent power of our own.

Should war come, which God forbid, there are scores of airfields from which the Soviets could launch attacks. It is essential to our deterrent policy and to our survival to have, with our American allies, the strength to paralyze these potential assaults in the first few hours. There are also big administrative and industrial targets behind the Iron Curtain, and any effective deterrent policy must have the power to paralyze them all at the outset, or shortly after. There are also the Soviet submarine bases and other naval targets.

Unless we make a contribution of our own — that is the point which I am pressing — we cannot be sure that in an emergency the targets which would threaten us most would be given what we consider the deserved priority, in the first few hours. These targets might be of such cardinal importance that it would really be a matter of life and death for us.

Meanwhile, the United States has many times the nuclear power of Soviet Russia and they have far more effective means of delivering. Our moral and military support of the United States and our possession of nuclear weapons of the highest quality and on an appreciable scale, together with their means of delivery, will greatly reinforce the deterrent power of the free world, and will strengthen our influence within the free

world. That, at any rate, is the policy we have decided to pursue.

A vast quantity of information, some true, some exaggerated much out of proportion, has been published about the hydrogen bomb. The truth has inevitably been mingled with fiction, and I am glad to say that panic has not occurred. The world goes on its daily journey despite its somber impression and earnest longing for relief.

I shall content myself with saying about the power of this weapon, the hydrogen bomb, that apart from the blast and heat effects there are the consequences of "fall-out" or wind-borne radioactive particles, both an immediate direct effect on exposed human beings and an indirect effect on animals, grass and vegetables which pass on these contagions to human beings through food.

This would confront many who escaped the direct effects of the explosion with poisoning, or starvation, or both. Imagination stands appalled.

But a curious paradox has emerged. Let me put it simply: After a certain point has been passed it may be said, "The worse things get the better." The broad effect of the latest developments is to spread to a vast extent the area of mortal danger. This should certainly increase the deterrent upon Soviet Russia by putting her enormous spaces and scattered population on near-equality of vulnerability with our small, densely populated island and with Western Europe.

It may well be that we shall by a process of sublime irony have reached a stage in this story where safety will be the sturdy child of terror, and survival the twin brother of annihilation.

Although the Americans have developed weapons capable of producing all the effects I have mentioned, we believe that the Soviets so far have tested only a bomb of intermediate power. There is every reason to believe, however, that they should develop some time within the next four, three or even two years more advanced weapons and full means to deliver them on North American targets.

Thus, the threat of hydrogen attack on these islands lies in the future. It is not with us now. The only country which is able to deliver today a full-scale nuclear attack with hydrogen bombs at a few hours' notice is the United States.

It is conceivable that Soviet Russia might attempt a surprise attack with such nuclear weapons as she has already. American superiority in nuclear weapons, reinforced by Britain, must, therefore, make it clear that no such surprise attack would prevent immediate retaliation

on a far larger scale. Not only must the nuclear superiority of the Western Powers be stimulated in every possible way, but their means of delivery of bombs must be expanded, improved, and varied. As one might say to them, "Although you might kill millions of our peoples, and cause widespread havoc by a surprise attack, we could, within a few hours of this outrage, certainly deliver many times the weight of nuclear material which you have used, and continue retaliation on that same scale."

I must make one admission, and any admission is formidable. The deterrent does not cover the case of lunatics or dictators in the mood of Hitler when he found himself in his final dugout.

All these considerations lead me to calculate, therefore, that world war will not break out within three or four years. In that time (it may be even less) the scene will be changed. The Soviets will probably stand possessed of hydrogen bombs and the means of delivering them. They may then have reached a stage, not indeed of parity with the United States and Britain, but of what is called "saturation".

"Saturation" in this connection means the point where, although one Power is stronger than the other, perhaps much stronger, both are capable of inflicting crippling or quasi-mortal injury on the other with what they have got. It does not follow, however, that the risk of war will then be greater. Indeed, it is arguable that it will be less, for both sides will then realize that it would result in mutual annihilation.

Major war of the future will differ, therefore, from anything we have known in the past in this one significant respect — that each side, at the outset, will suffer what it dreads the most, the loss of everything that it has ever known of. The deterrents will grow continually in value. In the past, an aggressor has been tempted by the hope of snatching an early advantage. In future, he may be deterred by the knowledge that the other side has the certain power to inflict swift, inescapable and crushing retaliation.

To conclude: Mercifully there is time and hope if we combine patience and courage. All deterrents will improve and gain authority during the next 10 years. By that time the deterrent may well reach its acme and reap its final reward. The day may dawn when fair play, love for one's fellow men, respect for justice and freedom, will enable tormented generations to march forth serene and triumphant from the hideous epoch in which we have to dwell.

Meanwhile, never flinch, never weary, never despair.

Book Review

Resources for Canada's Steel Industry

Reviewed by E. E. THUM

SOME ASPECTS OF THE CANADIAN IRON AND STEEL INDUSTRY WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO BRITISH COLUMBIA, by G. P. Contractor, British Columbia Research Council, Technical Bulletin No. 21, University of British Columbia, Vancouver 8, Canada, 1954, 175 p., 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11 in., paper bound. \$4.00.

EVER SINCE college days (and that's a long time) I have wanted to be in on the arguments which precede the location of a modern steel mill, such as the Steel Corporation's Fairless plant on the Delaware river. My professor at the School of Mines explained that it was a problem akin to differential calculus; summation of costs due to several factors should be minimized — cost of mining desirable iron ore, and freight to the proposed site; cost of mining and coking coal, and freight to the furnaces; cost of recruiting and maintaining the manpower; cost of shipping the product to the customer. I tried to apply these principles to the sizable steel plant of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. in my home town (Pueblo). Iron ore came from Wyoming, 325 miles north; coal was much nearer, 75 miles south; manpower came from the pleasant growing city; but where were the customers? The railroads and mines kept the rail mill working continually. The ranches required lots of barbed wire fencing and baling wire. Narrow strip called "cotton ties" went into the Southwest by the trainload. But the varied demands of the ultimate consumer were supplied by two or three small stands in the merchant mill. The Pueblo steel plant seemed to have everything but the consumers.

An even more difficult situation appears to confront Dr. Contractor in this careful study of conditions in British Columbia. Present steel production (average for 1951, 1952, 1953) is about 40,000 tons from eight shops working at about 65% of capacity. Eight of the eleven fur-

naces — all electric — are quite small, 2 tons or less, and doubtless are foundry furnaces. The largest furnace is of 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons capacity; its product is rolled into small bars, angles, and flats.

40,000 tons in British Columbia is about 1% of the annual steel production of all of Canada, and it is clear out of line with the population — about 1,250,000 for British Columbia and 14,500,000 for Canada — and much below the actual consumption of its main industries. These are forestry, mining, agriculture, fisheries, electric power and new construction — all either sparing in consumption of iron or steel products or demanding heavy and specialized materials which cannot be economically produced in plants of moderate tonnage. (Even Sweden, you know, imports all but its smallest structural shapes.)

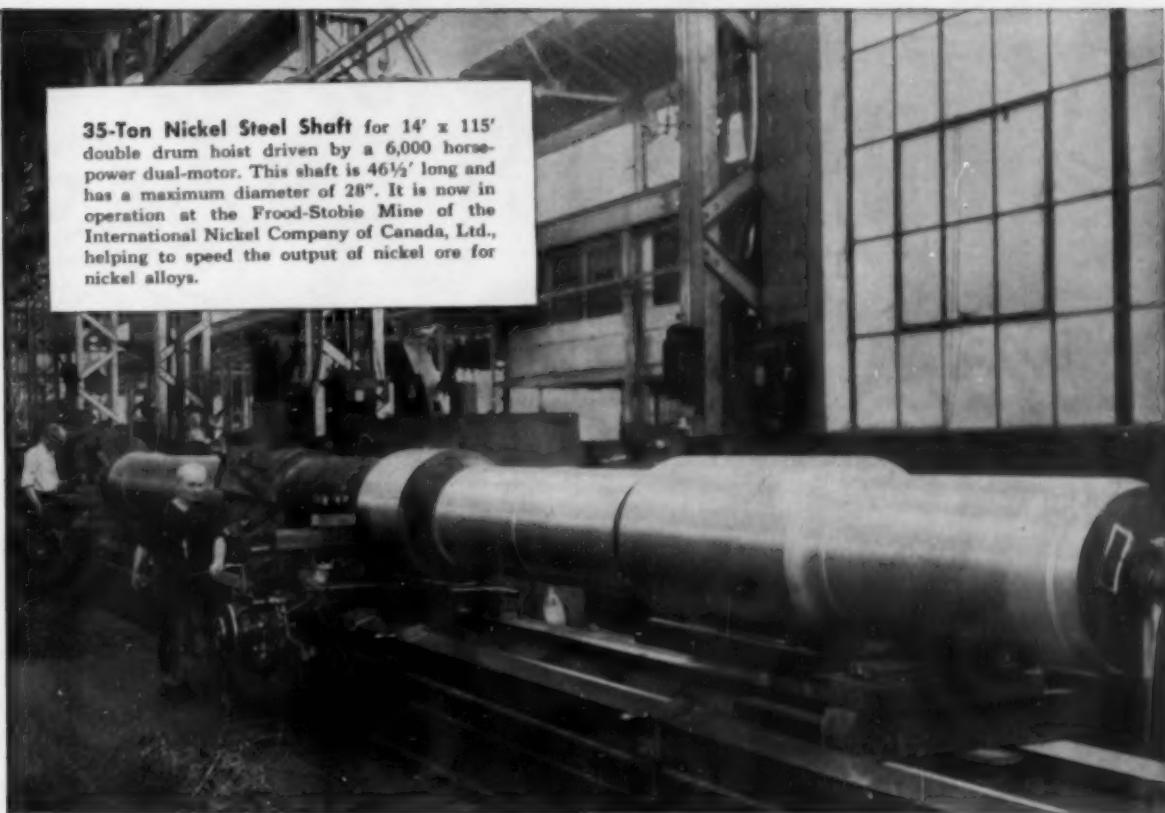
Likewise it is estimated that annual consumption of British Columbia and its neighboring provinces amounts to about 20,000 tons of foundry iron and 225,000 tons of rolled steel of moderate cross section — perhaps half being tin plate. Even if all this could be produced at one place it would hardly be enough for an integrated plant with one modern blast furnace.

However, a supposed shortage in domestic scrap for any expanded production of ingots prompted this inquiry by the British Columbia Research Council into the iron ore, coal and power resources of the province. For this reason, the author turns his attention to the Tysland-Hole electric furnace for making pig iron from iron ore. Some 25 furnaces of this sort are in operation at 18 different locations in Europe, and ten more are under construction. Their output ranges from about 50 tons per day (6500-kva. power input) to 300 tons per day (33,000-kva.). This report by Dr. Contractor contains the best account of this furnace and the economics of its operation which this reviewer has ever seen.

So the problem of blast furnace coke (produced only in the Crowsnest field in the extreme southeastern corner of the province, 800 miles away from the populous area) is "solved" by eliminating half of it from the burden and using electric power in its place. Iron ore, the basic essential, however, is another thing. High-sulphur magnetite concentrates are now being shipped to Japan from small deposits on Vancouver Island; 1,000,000 short tons in 1953. And the author continues: "Other commercial iron ore deposits in British Columbia are far from adequate for starting a sizable pig iron industry."

As my favorite lecturer on electronics, George Goebel, would say, "And there we are." 

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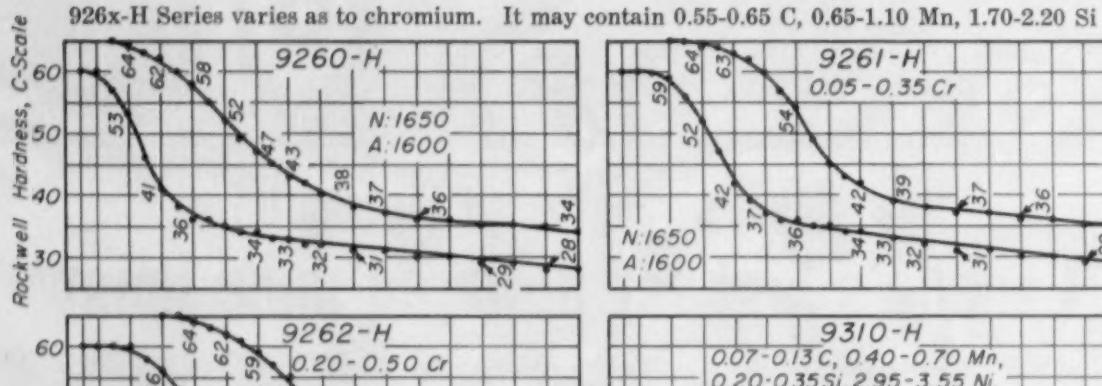
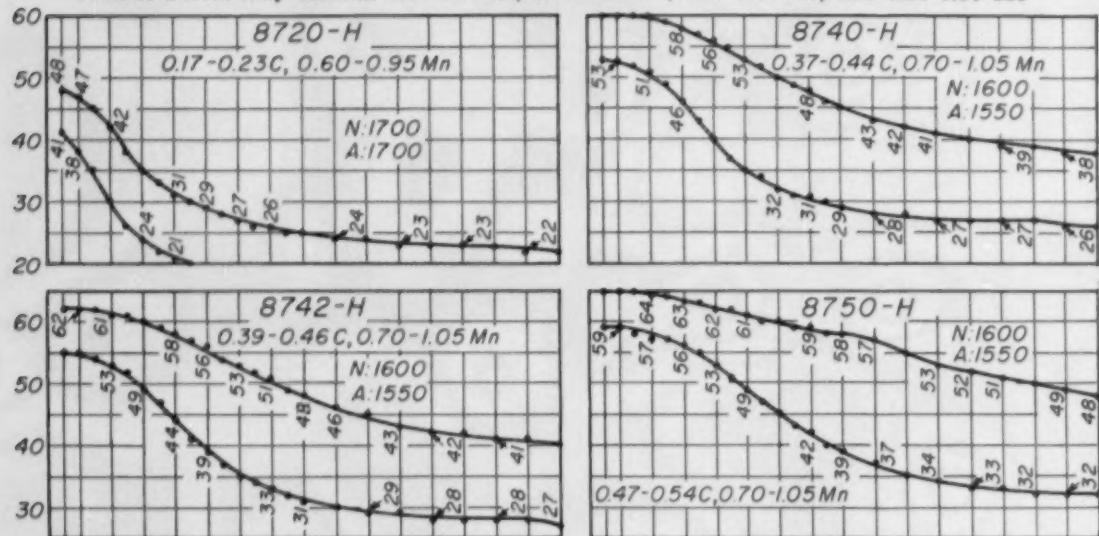


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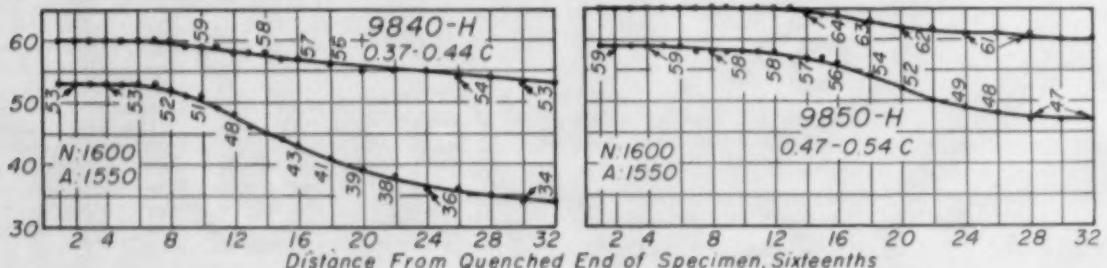
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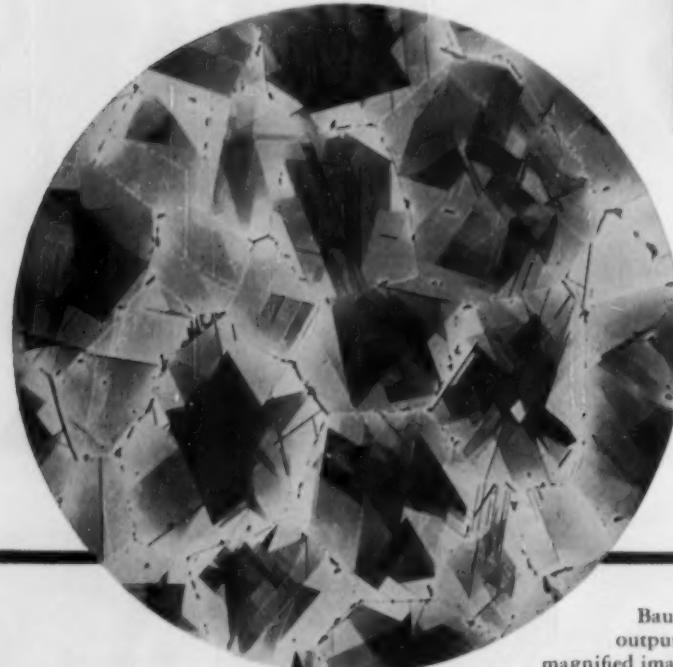
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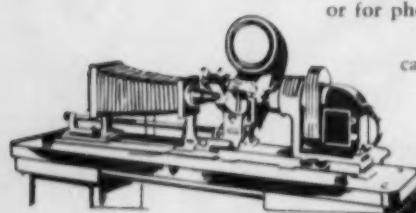
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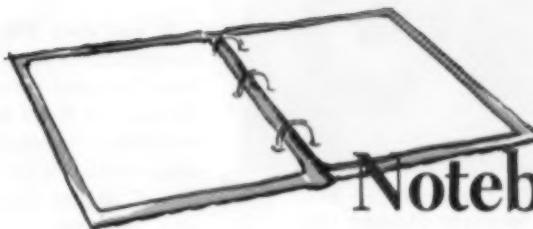
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Notebook...

Improved Stripping Solution

By R. C. SPOONER and J. M. ROBERTS*

ACCORDING TO studies we have made, anodic oxide films can be removed from aluminum surfaces with the DeSy and Haemers† solution in similar fashion to that developed by Lacombe and Beaujard‡ with Jacquet's electro-polishing solution and without the danger inherent in using the latter. No attempt seems to have been made to employ this fast and useful technique with other solutions in order to avoid the potential explosive hazards of Jacquet's perchloric acid-acetic anhydride solution.

Aluminum sheet panels ($1.3 \times 10 \times 0.05$ cm.) of 99.87% purity were anodized in sulphuric acid under conventional conditions and the films (about 28μ thick) were removed by anodic treatment using 60 to 70 v. for periods of $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 min. in a DeSy and Haemers' solution cooled to 59° F. and mildly agitated. The solution was made up using methanol instead of the ethanol commonly employed. The top of the specimen to which electrical contact was made was not anodized and the aluminum on the immersed panel edges was exposed by filing off the oxide film before immersion. The initially small current (2 to 5 amp.) remained constant for a short period (5 to

30 sec.) with an audible crackling sound and then rose quickly as more aluminum surface was exposed. The panel should be removed just before this rise. The film from both panel sides was removed by gentle mechanical treatment under water.

Contrary to Lacombe and Beaujard's observation, the sealed films produced by boiling water were easily detached. In several tests the entire film from a side was detached in one piece; however, unsealed films broke into several pieces.

Epoxy Resins as Mounting Materials

By R. O. QUINN and M. McGAWN*

The accurate mounting of small parts and thin delicate sections has always been a problem for the metallographer because mounting materials used in the past have required heat or pressure, or both, to harden them.

Much of the metallographic work done at this laboratory involves the sectioning of fabricated parts of light-gage sheet metal for microscopic and macroscopic examination. Since neither heat nor pressure is desirable for this work, casting resins of the chemical setting epoxy type were tried. The success with these materials has led to their use to replace almost all other mounting methods.

Casting resins are available which consist of two liquid components, a resin and an activator. Only simple mixing and casting techniques are necessary, and the mount hardens in a few hours

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† "Quick Method for Electrolytic Polishing and Etching of Metallographic Specimens", by A. DeSy and H. Haemers, *Stahl und Eisen*, Vol. 61, 1941, p. 185 to 187.

‡ "A New Method of Detaching Anodic Oxide Films Formed on the Surface of Aluminum and Its Alloys", by P. Lacombe and L. Beaujard, *Metaux Corrosion-Usure*, Vol. 20, 1945, p. 43 to 47.



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at room temperature. If higher temperatures can be tolerated, the time can be shortened to a matter of minutes. Separately, the two liquids are stable at room temperature but, once mixed, should be used immediately. After the casting has hardened, the usual metallographic procedures of grinding and polishing can be applied. The plastic, when hardened, is highly resistant to all etches and solvents which the metallographer might use.

No attempt has been made to explore fully the entire array of commercially available resins. The following have been found to be generally acceptable for metallographic work:

Bakelite C-8 Resin BR-18774

Shell Epon No. 828

Armstrong C-4 Adhesive.

The nonplasticizing activator we use is diethylenetriamine, which is applied as 1 part by weight activator to 10 parts of resin.

No doubt, many uses can be found for these resins other than the preparation of the final mount. For example, in the sectioning of thin or delicate materials, the plastic may be poured on or into the part to obtain a firm back-up so that no distortion is produced in the piece during cutting. The accompanying halftone illustrates the use of the plastic for this purpose. The plastic supported section is in turn recast in a short length of bakelite tubing to form the final mount.

Certain additives to the mixed liquid resin will improve its use as a mounting medium. Carbon black, which may be added to obtain a jet black mount, also helps dissipate the heat due to grinding. Various colors can be produced by the use of dyes. In particular, a red dye such as Safranin-O will cause the mounting medium to appear dark in the final photographic prints. Carbide particles may also be inserted to inhibit the rounding of the specimen during polishing.

New Use for Bi and Te?

By TOM BISHOP*

It was over 100 years ago that Peltier discovered the heating or cooling effect, quite apart from the usual resistance heating, when an electric current flows through the junction between two different metals. Whether the junction becomes hotter or colder depends upon the direction of current flow. For various practical reasons little use has been made of the effect. Recent work in the research laboratories of the General Electric Co., Ltd., Wembley, England, has now produced a semiconductor thermojunction which gives a cooling effect of nearly 50° F.

Interest in the problem revived with the development of silicon and germanium transistors. The thermo-electric effect with semiconductors is about 100 times larger than with metals. This is not sufficient in itself to provide a practicable cooling effect because the Peltier cooling is usually much less than the heating effect in the junction due to its own resistance. When this resistance is made small by the use of short, thick junctions, too much heat is conducted from the hot to the cold end of the cooling unit and the cooling effect is lost. The present objective is to find semiconductor materials having high electrical and low thermal conductivity which make large cooling effects possible.

A recent demonstration before the Royal Society in London showed a unit employing bismuth and a bismuth-tellurium compound which could freeze miniature ice cubes in a small metal tray. It is too early to say that this is the forerunner of new types of refrigerator units, or to quote figures for the efficiency of the system. At present this is certainly much less than the efficiency of conventional refrigerators.

Research is to continue and further developments are expected. One possibility is that sources of low-grade waste heat might be used with thermojunction generators to provide the low-voltage high-current supply required to operate the cooling junctions. The same factors which control efficient thermo-electric cooling apply also to efficient thermo-electric generators. The successful development of these to make use of waste heat or solar energy might well provide useful sources of electric power for a variety of applications.

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Brittle Failure of Steel Structures

Theory, Practice, Future Prospects

By M. E. SHANK*

A great volume of recent experiments on brittle fracture — some on large pieces of steel — is summarized. Theory has advanced to where the plastic work, the modulus of elasticity and the size of crack can be correlated to the stress required for a catastrophic crack. Some ideas useful to designers and fabricators are outlined.

IN TWO previous *Metal Progress* articles in September and October 1954 the history of brittle failure of steel structures, and the factors of importance to this type of accident, were discussed. Three conditions may combine: First is low temperature. Second is the presence of a notch (introducing tri-axial stress) due to defects such as welding cracks or voids, or cracks left from punching or shearing operations. Third is high strain rate, or impact loading, which however is not necessary for the initiation of brittle failure.

This final article will attempt to set forth briefly some of the important theoretical and ex-

perimental developments in the field of inquiry, along with some views on present engineering design and fabrication practice and the future possibilities. A complete review cannot be attempted. It should also be stated at the outset that not all of the researchers in the field are in full agreement; what is presented here is, therefore, from the author's point of view.

Metallographic and Crystallographic Features
— Brittle or cleavage failure may occur in any ferritic iron or steel. It can occur in iron of the very highest purity. Cleavage failure occurs also

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in some other body-centered cubic metals, and in certain of the hexagonal close-packed metals, but they will not be discussed in this article. Cleavage failure is not known to occur in such face-centered cubic metals as pure gold, silver, copper or aluminum*, even at temperatures approaching absolute zero and in the presence of notches. Indeed, commercial austenitic steels are immune to brittle failure.

Slip in iron, with attendant plastic deformation, occurs in pencil fashion along planes containing the (111) direction. The actual "planes" on which this slip occurs are irregular and wavy, and are not specific crystallographic planes. Cleavage, on the other hand, occurs by separation without macro-plastic deformation on the (100) or cube face. This is shown in Fig. 1. A very graphic demonstration of this has been given by Parker¹ and his associates, in mild steel tested in tension at room temperature and at liquid air. These samples were sectioned, polished, and immersed in dilute nitric acid, which produced etch pits in the individual crystals. The sides of the pits were parallel with the cleavage faces of the individual crystals or therefore roughly at 45° to planes on which slip had occurred. Figure 2 shows the fracture of the specimen tested at room temperature; there is considerable plastic deformation, and the fracture surfaces are inclined obliquely to the sides of the etch pits. Figure 3 shows the fracture at liquid air temperature; here cleavage failure has occurred, no plastic deformation is visible, and the fracture lines are parallel to the sides of the etch pits.

Another important feature of brittle failure in polycrystalline ferritic steels is that the high-speed crack, which may travel up to 6000 ft. per sec. or more, runs in a discontinuous rather than smooth fashion. It is obvious that if each failed crystal is to cleave on a (100) face, the crack must change direction as it goes from one crystal to the next. Thus, cleavage starts independently in several neighboring grains. The resulting discontinuous cracks are then connected by plastic deformation at the grain boundaries. This implies that one should be able to observe discontinuous cracks adjacent to or ahead of the main fracture in steel that has failed in a brittle manner. This has been done by Jaffe². See Fig. 4.

The surface of a brittle failure appears totally

*This statement does not apply to many alloys of these metals. For instance, evidence is beginning to accumulate that high-speed brittle cracks, similar in many respects to those found in steel, can occur in high-strength, precipitation hardened aluminum alloys.

lacking in plastic deformation. See Fig. 5. In spite of this it can be shown by X-rays that some plastic deformation does occur. In annealed or hot rolled steel, X-ray diffraction spots are sharp. Plastic deformation causes diffuseness of these spots, and the amount of cold work can be estimated by the degree of diffuseness. The depth can be determined by etching away the fractured surface until the diffraction pattern is once again sharp. Felbeck and Orowan³ have found the work of plastic distortion on a brittle fracture surface to be about 2×10^6 ergs per sq.cm., or roughly 6 in-lb. per sq.in. Estimates of other workers yield figures of a similar order of magnitude. They also found the depth of the cold worked layer to be somewhat less than 0.5 mm. As will later be shown, the work of plastic distortion is of considerable importance.

Tri-Axiality of Stress — The earliest workers to investigate brittle failure used impact loadings. This supported the opinion, fairly widespread even to recent years, that brittle fracture in steel resulted from loads applied at rather "high" speed, even though it was known that if a specimen contained a sharp, deep notch, brittle failure could then be induced by slow bending or slow tension. A Mesnager⁴, making use of this observation in 1906, developed the theory of tri-axial tension in notch brittleness. His paper did not receive wide notice, and Ludwik in 1923 developed a similar theory.^{5, 6}

Let us state, in simplest terms, the effect of a notch or sharp crack in a plate. If a uniform stress below the elastic limit is imposed on the plate in a direction perpendicular (axial direction) to the crack, a comparatively high stress in the same direction will exist just behind the root of the crack. This is diagrammed in Fig. 6. Moreover, in the region of the crack root the state of stress will be bi-axial. However, just behind the crack root in the uncracked metal, and a short distance from it, the stress will be of average value. If plastic flow is to occur at the crack root, there must be lateral contraction of the material at that place in order to preserve constant volume of material. (Constancy of volume is a necessary requirement of plastic flow.) Opposing this lateral contraction is the large amount of material, stressed to a lower value, behind the root of the crack (to the right in Fig. 6). This will induce a state of tri-axial stress, the third stress being perpendicular to the plane of the plate and tending to contract the material laterally at the root of the notch. The third stress is thus transverse tension. At this place it is a

Fig. 1 - Schematic Diagram of a Body-Centered Cubic Iron Crystal. The hatched (100) or cube face is the face on which brittle cleavage occurs. The (111) direction is direction of any cube diagonal, along which slip takes place

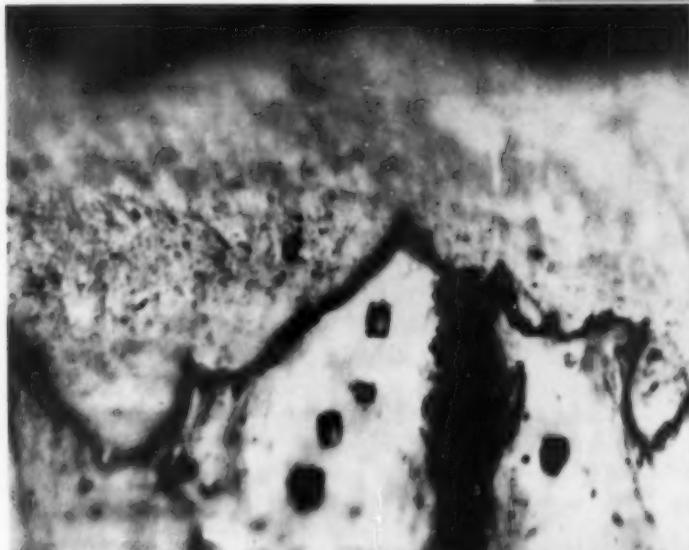
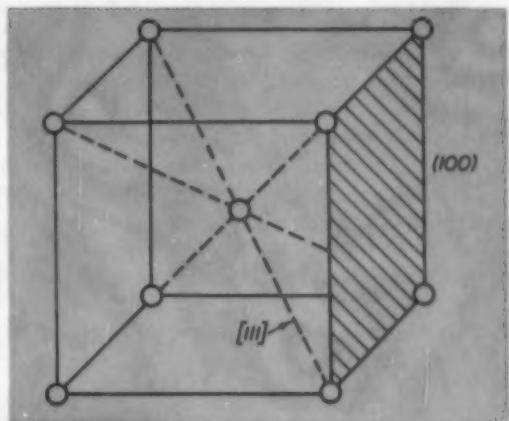


Fig. 2 - Shear Fracture in Steel. Fracture surfaces at room temperature are at approximately 45° to cube (100) faces as shown by etch pits. There is considerable plastic deformation. 1500 X. (From Parker, Reference 1)

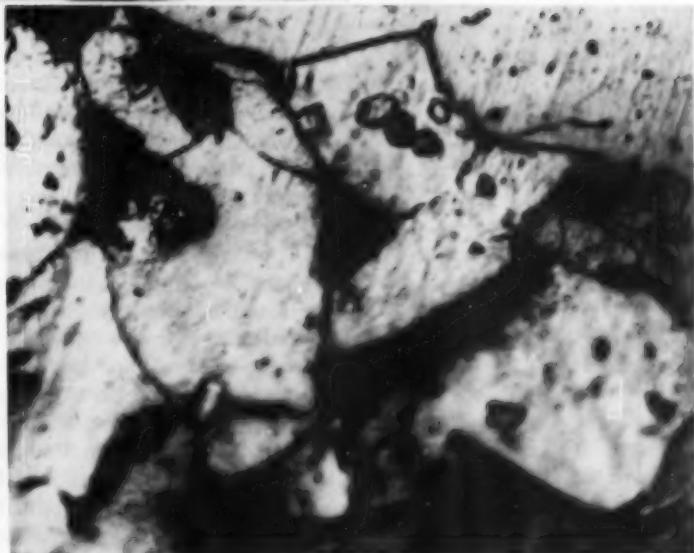


Fig. 3 - Cleavage Fracture in Steel. Fracture surfaces at liquid-air temperature are parallel to cube (100) faces as shown by etch pits. No evidence of plastic deformation. 1500 X. (From Parker, Reference 1)

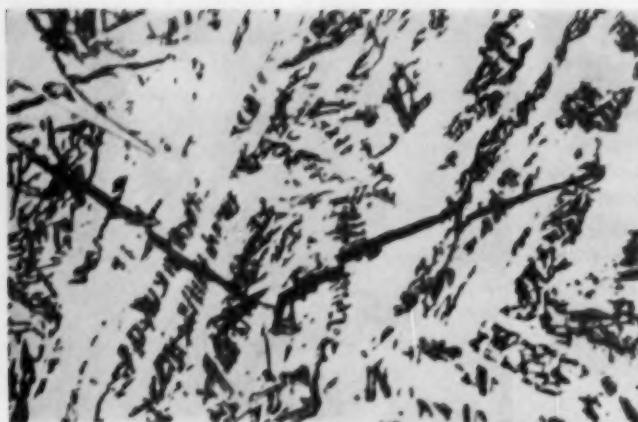
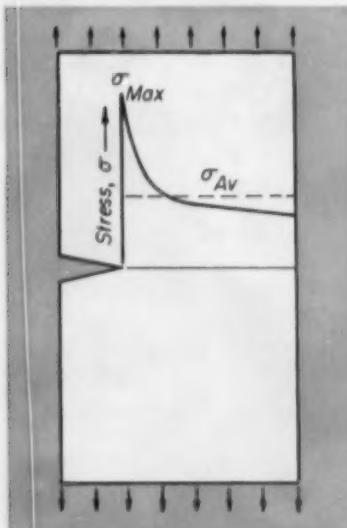


Fig. 4 - Discontinuous Cracks in a Steel Casting Which Failed in a Brittle Manner. 1500 X. (From L. D. Jaffe, Reference 2)

Fig. 5 - Fragment of a Fractured Drum. The surface appears to lack macro-plastic deformation, but X-ray diffraction techniques show plastic work in a thin layer on the fractured surface



Fig. 6 - Sketch of Axial Stress in a Plate Containing a Notch. The axial stress will be very high at the root of the notch and low in the material behind the notch. When plastic flow occurs, a third stress will arise at the crack root in a direction perpendicular to the plane of the plate



maximum at the center of the plate and must be zero on the faces of the plate. Another consequence is that the axial stress at the root of the crack will build up beyond the uni-axial yield stress Y of the material to some value Y_n before flow can occur. This is the basis of *plastic constraint* (as opposed to elastic stress concentration). The ratio of Y_n to Y is known as the "constraint factor".

Until recent years it had been believed that if the notch was of correct depth and sharp-ended, the stress at the root and the constraint factor would rise to infinity. However, in 1945 it was shown by Orowan, Nye and Cairns⁷ that the maximum constraint factor is approximately 3. The proof of this is based on an adaptation of Hencky's classical plasticity solution⁸ of the stress distribution in the indentation of a plate by a circular punch. While this proof applies to a circular specimen with a circumferential notch, it had been shown by Prandtl⁹ in 1923 that the maximum constraint factor is approximately the same for a notch in a flat plate. From the foregoing it is evident that

if a sharp crack is present in a stressed plate, the stress at the crack root must rise to about three times the normal uni-axial yield stress of the material before plastic flow will occur.

Concept of Brittle Strength — In the Ludwik-Mesnager theory of tri-axiality, the reduction of fracture strain was explained. Ludwik also introduced the concept of "characteristic stress-strain curve of fracture". However, the conspicuous difference between fibrous and cleavage fractures was not explained. In 1936 Davidenkov¹⁰ attempted to extend the theory so as to explain this difference, and was among the first to recognize the existence of fundamentally different fracture mechanisms. He therefore suggested there should be *two* characteristic stress-strain curves of fracture, one for brittle failure and another for ductile failure. It has since turned out that ductile fracture does not occur at values of a tensile stress which are dependent only on values of the preceding plastic strain. According to the geometry of the specimen and the types of notches present, ductile fracture can occur at widely different values of the tensile stress for the same amounts of plastic strain. This was shown by McAdam and Mebs¹¹ in 1943. However, there is much evidence to support the concept of a characteristic *brittle* fracture curve for ferritic materials.

Davidenkov and Wittman¹¹ in 1937 partly explained the phenomenon of transition temperature by means of the Ludwik theory. They drew a logical qualitative picture using the concept of "brittle strength". They were not aware, however, of the limiting value of plastic constraint at the tip of a sharp notch. As before noted, this factor was taken into account by Orowan^{7, 12} in 1945. The resulting picture is shown in Fig. 7. Here brittle strength B , yield strength Y , and three times the yield strength $3Y$ (that is, the flow stress in the presence of a notch) are sketched as functions of temperature. It is experimentally known that yield strength rises with decreasing temperature. It is assumed that the brittle strength will also rise with decreasing temperature, but not at so steep a gradient.

Figure 7 indicates that above the temperature T_2 , at which the curves of brittle strength and of $3Y$ intersect, the material concerned will be fully ductile, with or without the presence of a notch. Below temperature T_1 , however, where the brittle strength intersects the yield strength, the material will always fracture in a brittle manner. The region between these two temperatures is the "notch-brittle zone", wherein the material

will behave in a ductile fashion in the presence of uni-axial stress, but if a notch is present, it will fail in a brittle manner before the stress of $3Y$ with attendant plastic flow can be reached. In practice, however, the transition from full ductility to full brittleness occurs in a narrow temperature zone rather than at a particular temperature. This is true, for instance, in the Charpy impact test.

There was no experimental proof of the existence of a characteristic curve of brittle strength until October 1951, when Eldin and Collins¹⁴ published an important piece of research on the fracture and yield stress of A.I.S.I. 1020 steel at temperatures near absolute zero (12° K.) and up to 185° K. Specimens were tested in uni-axial tension (no notches). From 12 to 61.5° K. all specimens exhibited typically brittle fracture, with no reduction in area, and the strength dropped steadily and linearly as the temperature was increased. At 61.5° K. a sharp transition occurred. While below this temperature there was no reduction of area before fracture, above 61.5° K. the reduction of area increased rapidly as the testing temperature was increased, and a yield stress, as well as a subsequent fracture stress, could be measured. Some of their data are plotted in Fig. 8. All of the fractures were brittle in appearance to 100° K. At 104° K. the broken section contained a dark fibrous (ductile) dot at its center. Above 185° K. all of the fractures were ductile.

While much research yet remains to be done on the brittle strength of steels, this work of Eldin and Collins presents strong evidence to support the current hypotheses.

Strain Rate — The yield strength of most metals is not particularly sensitive to strain rate. In typical nonferrous metals, for instance, increasing the strain rate by several orders of magnitude will increase the yield strength by perhaps 15 or 20%. In low-carbon steels, however, a corresponding increase in strain rate will increase the stress at which yield occurs by 100 or 200%. This explains the effect of impact in inducing brittle failure. If the strain rate is such that the brittle strength of the metal is exceeded, brittle failure will result.

It should be noted also that if a crack is traveling rapidly, the strain rate at the tip of the crack will be very high, even though the external load application is static in nature. The foregoing implies that the brittle strength has a relatively small dependence on velocity. This appears to be true.

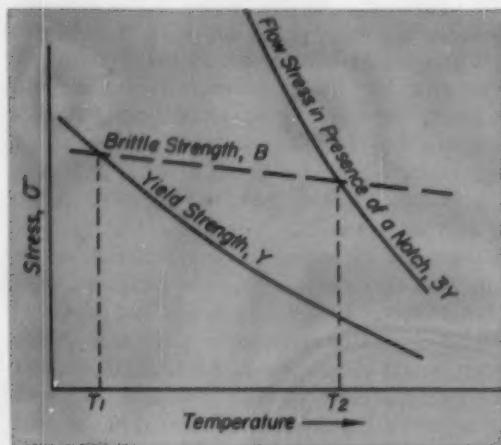


Fig. 7 - Plot of Stress Vs. Temperature to Explain Transition Temperature in a Notch-Brittle Material. Above T_1 the material is fully ductile. Below T_2 it is fully brittle. The region between T_1 and T_2 is the transition range

Some Recent Research Work

During and after World War II many brittle fracture tests were made on large specimens of steel plate. Great difficulties were encountered in duplicating service fractures — a problem not fully overcome even today — which are almost always of a cleavage type from their very inception. Moreover, service failures often occur at relatively low average stresses.

In laboratory tests of plate it was the usual practice to provide a sharp notch or saw cut so as to start a brittle failure under tensile loading. In this way the fractures were initiated at quite

high stresses, and often with a region of ductile failure which preceded the initiation of a brittle crack. This resulting brittle crack then traveled across the plate. However, only the starting stress, and not the driving stress, could be measured.

In an attempt to overcome these difficulties, T. S. Robertson^{15, 16, 17} devised a method from which he hoped to determine the stress required to make a crack "run". In effect, he placed a saw cut at the edge of the plate, and initiated a brittle crack at low temperature by a wedging impact force which opened up the crack. The specimen had a temperature gradient across it, the notch end being cold, and the opposite end being warm. All the while the specimen was in tension in a direction perpendicular to the notch. The crack traveled across the plate, and was arrested at some particular point. Beyond this point, and above the particular temperature at this point, only ductile failure could take place in the plate.

Robertson repeated these experiments with different values of tensile stress in the plate, but with similar temperature gradient. He then plotted the stress against the arresting temperature, and for most of his steels the results were of the type sketched in Fig. 9. It will be noted that there appears to be a sharply defined temperature limit above which brittle crack propagation cannot take place. Robertson also experimented with plates of uniform temperature and verified that the limiting temperatures for crack propagation were the same as in plates with a temperature gradient.

In addition to Robertson's excellent experi-

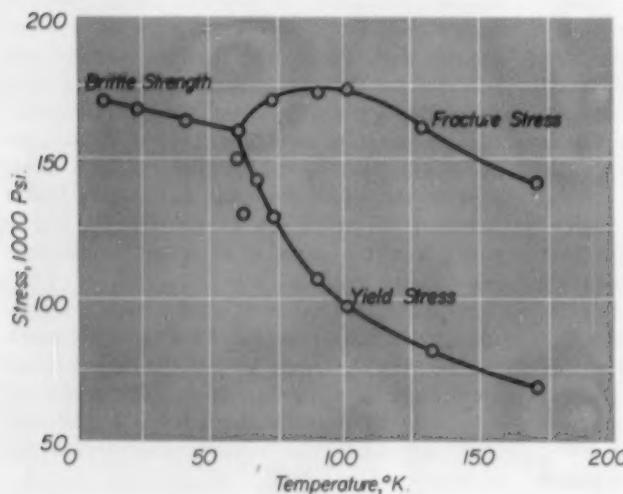


Fig. 8 — Tests on A.I.S.I. 1020 Steel Showing Evidence of a Brittle Strength Curve. Below 61.5° K. no reduction of area occurred. Above this temperature yielding took place. (From Eldin and Collins, Reference 14)

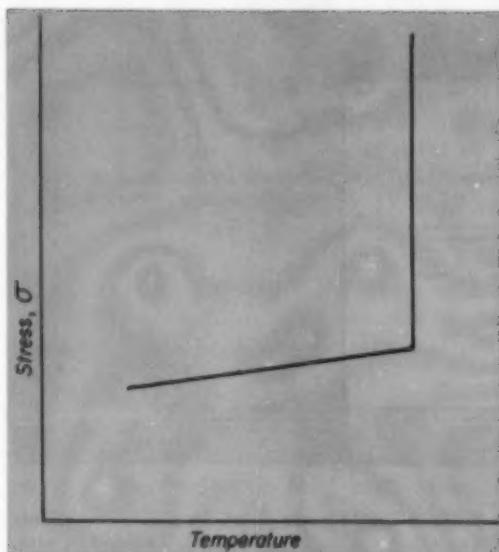


Fig. 9—Schematic Presentation of Robertson's Data Showing a Plot of Stress Vs. Temperature. Above the temperature limit defined by the vertical line, a brittle crack does not propagate. (References 15, 16 and 17)

mental work, Feeley and associates¹⁸ did some very fine work in which fracture was initiated by a wedge driven by a bullet into a crack or notch in a stressed plate. However, in any tests in which fracture has been initiated by wedge penetration or by any type of wedging action, the interpretation of results is far more complex than it appeared at first.

The effect of a penetrating wedge is roughly equivalent to an additional local tensile stress. This additional stress can start the propagation of the crack. It does this by making the crack so long, and its rate of propagation so fast, that the applied tension on the plate can take over when the wedge effect has disappeared. However, there seems to be no way of estimating the crack length at the moment when its propagation is taken over by the applied tensile stress. Contrary to earlier hopes, the wedge indentation does not start off the crack propagation in a single instant before the length of the crack has increased significantly. The effect of the wedge and that of the applied stress are inextricably mixed up in the mechanism of starting the crack. A discussion by E. Orowan of the factors involved in the initiation of brittle fracture by wedge penetration will shortly be published.¹⁹

Independent of these difficulties, however, is Robertson's measurement of the temperature

above which a crack cannot run in brittle fashion. Above this limit the velocity of the running crack, aided by such tri-axiality as may exist at the crack tip, cannot raise the yield stress to the level of the brittle strength. Therefore, only yielding can occur. The temperatures which Robertson has determined agree roughly with measurements of transition temperatures.

Energy Criteria for Brittle Failure—In 1920 Griffith²⁰ proposed his theory, based on energy criteria, for the fracture of fully brittle materials (such as glass which manifests no plastic behavior). This theory aids in an understanding of the present problem even though it cannot be applied directly to materials which exhibit plastic flow; even in such a small degree as does steel when it fails in brittle fashion. As pointed out before, the *surface* layer of a brittle fracture in steel always undergoes *some* plastic deformation.

In attempting to explain the strength of brittle materials, Griffith postulated the existence of tiny cracks which he idealized as ellipses. See Fig. 10. Assume such a crack in a thin plate of unit thickness; it is small in comparison to the width and length of the plate. The crack length is the major axis of the ellipse and is equal to $2C$. The plate is stressed at an average value σ and in a direction perpendicular to the major axis of the crack. Let α be the surface energy per unit area of the material. Since the area of crack surface is $4C$, the energy required to create the crack is all surface energy, and has the value

$$W_s = 4C\alpha$$

No other energy is required, since the material in question cannot behave plastically. The crack can arise only by drawing elastic energy from its *immediate* surroundings. The density of elastic energy is proportional to $\sigma^2 + 2E$ if the crack is small compared to the plate. Furthermore, the region from which the crack can draw energy can be shown to be proportional to C^2 , C being the half-the-crack length. For a thin plate it is also proportional to π . Thus, the available energy to keep the crack growing is

$$W_e = \frac{\pi \sigma^2 C^2}{2E}$$

If the crack increases in length, the elastic energy of the plate increases because the average applied stress remains constant while the plate undergoes deformation as the crack lengthens. Griffith's criterion for propagation of the crack is, then, that for a differential increase dc in crack length, the increased elastic energy dW_e must be just sufficient to supply the increased surface energy dW_s of the extended crack. Differ-

entiating the above two expressions with respect to C and equating results in the above expressions

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{2E\alpha}{\pi C}} = \sqrt{\frac{E\alpha}{C}}$$

When the stress given by this equation is reached, the crack will be unstable and will run catastrophically. It will be noted that the stress for failure is inversely proportional to the square root of the crack length. Quadrupling the length of crack, for instance, halves the stress for crack propagation. If the plate is thick compared with the crack length, the constants of the expression are slightly different.

The Griffith equation has in fact been shown to be the controlling one in the strength of glass and the theory adequately explains its mechanical behavior. Moreover, cracks have been observed in glass, the lengths of which correlate well with the equation. (It should be noted that a surface crack of length C will have the same effect as an interior crack of $2C$.)

In the light of the foregoing, Orowan conceived a modified Griffith equation which would apply to the brittle failure of steels, and take account of the plastic layer on the fractured surface. In the following discussion the present author is indebted to him for permission to summarize information which will shortly appear as a series of papers dealing extensively with the subject.^{3, 21, 22} Orowan has included in the expression for the surface energy of the crack the plastic work p required to deform the thin, cold worked layer on the fractured surface. As before noted, this plastic work has been measured, and is about 2×10^6 ergs per sq.cm. Thus, the surface energy of the fractured surface will now be $W_s = 4C(\alpha + p)$ and the final expression for the stress at which brittle failure can take place (if other conditions are correct) is

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{E(\alpha + p)}{C}}$$

The value of p is about 1000 times greater than that of the surface energy α (which for most metals is of the order of 10^4 ergs per sq.cm.). Consequently, the surface energy can be dropped from the expression, giving finally

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{Ep}{C}}$$

*Symbol \approx means "approximately equal to".

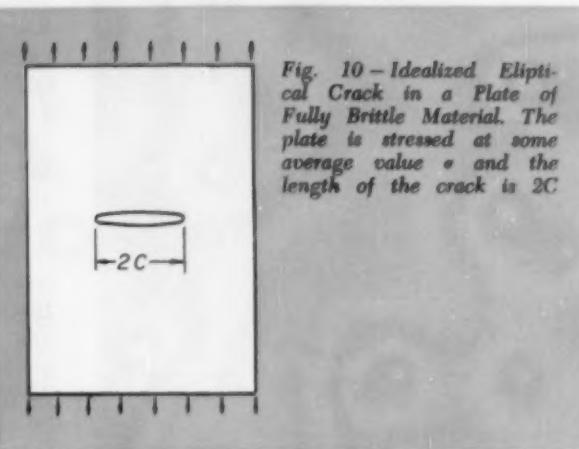


Fig. 10 - Idealized Elliptical Crack in a Plate of Fully Brittle Material. The plate is stressed at some average value σ and the length of the crack is $2C$

Felbeck and Orowan³ performed experiments to verify this expression. They used plates which had been slotted on the edge with a saw, and then cooled in dry ice. With the plate unstressed, a wedge was driven into the saw cut to initiate a sharp cleavage crack. The specimen was then placed in a testing machine and stressed to failure. When the fracture stress was plotted against the crack length a smooth, hyperbolic curve resulted.

However, it was observed that the initial, artificial brittle crack failed to propagate in a brittle manner when fracture stress was reached. Plastic deformation first occurred and the crack propagated in a fibrous manner accompanied by considerable local reduction of the plate thickness. Following this the crack reconverted to cleavage running at high velocity. Apparently with the low rates of loading employed a cleavage crack cannot continue to propagate in brittle fashion.

Thus, the velocity effect is important in maintaining a running, brittle crack. Moreover, a considerable degree of tri-axiality is necessary in the fibrous crack that follows before it can be converted into a brittle crack. These experiments therefore measured an average stress higher than that given by the modified Griffith equation — namely, an average stress which is required for initiating the high-velocity crack by means of a condition of plastic constraint.

The last equation indicates that for a given crack length in a steel, brittle fracture can occur if a critical value of the average tensile strength is reached. Conversely, brittle fracture can occur at any average stress value if an existing crack is long enough. In addition to this, however, one of two conditions must be fulfilled: First, the

rate of stress application must be high enough to bring the yield stress of the material up to the brittle strength without the presence of tri-axiality. (This is represented by the case of a high-velocity running crack.) Second, considerable plastic deformation is induced at the tip of a crack, so that three times the yield stress exceeds the brittle strength, (Fig. 7). These two conditions may also occur in combination.

Thus, a state of tri-axial stress, and some rate of stress application — neither of which by itself is sufficient to cause brittle failure — may together permit its occurrence, provided also that

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{E_p}{C}}$$

In most brittle failures that have occurred in service, the fracture is fully brittle from its very inception, with little or no evidence of macro-plastic deformation. Such fractures usually occur at perfectly static stresses, apparently of low average value. This has been duplicated in the laboratory under static conditions only if the specimen contained a weld. Experiments of this type were performed by Weck²³ in 1952, who found that thermal contraction stresses, if of sufficient severity, could produce spontaneous brittle fracture of welded assemblies without additional external stresses, providing the specimen contained a sharp notch. These thermal contraction stresses combined both the restraint of a heavy frame into which the specimen was welded, and the ordinary residual stresses resulting from a weld in the specimen itself. Weck's material had a gradual transition from tough to brittle in a notch bend test extending from +30 to -20° C., and the fractures from thermal contraction were produced when the metal was at about -8° C., well within the transition range. Somewhat similar effects were noted by Greene.²⁴

The foregoing does not imply, however, that welds must be present for the initiation of brittle failures in service. Numerous brittle failures have occurred in riveted structures. Nor is it implied that residual stresses are of prime importance in initiating brittle failure in welded structures. Many service brittle failures have also been known to start at design stress concentrations.

*This author recently talked to C. G. Lutts of the Boston Naval Shipyard metallurgy laboratory, who was the first to note the meaning of "chevron markings" in brittle failures in service. This was in connection with the failure of the Boston molasses tank, a riveted

structure. At this date, 35 years later, he recalls generally that the regions of brittle fracture were preceded by areas of fibrous fracture with plastic flow. These plastically deformed areas were adjacent to the rivet holes, where failure apparently originated.

These facts were pointed out in the two previous articles. It is therefore somewhat of a mystery how a rapidly moving crack, with no evidence of tri-axiality at its origin, is initiated in service under static stresses of low average value.

The question therefore arises, "Can brittle failures occur in service which are brittle from their very inception without the presence of a weld?" The question cannot now be answered with certainty. Failures in riveted structures were seldom if ever examined by observers who noted conditions at the origin of the fracture.*

Present Industrial Practice

Ideally speaking, two extreme alternatives are possible, either of which would totally prevent brittle failure of steel structures.

First would be to use a material which is totally immune to brittle failure. Utilization of austenitic stainless steel, or the substitution of some nonferrous metal with face-centered cubic crystal structure such as copper or aluminum for mild steel would accomplish this. Obviously, however, these materials are too expensive for such common use, both from the standpoint of lower allowable working stresses and of cost per pound. This solution becomes practical only for equipment operating at extremely low temperatures where ferritic steels are glasslike in their behavior and the slightest flaw in material or fabrication could cause disaster. Containers for liquid air or natural gas are examples.

The second, and extremely opposite, approach is to employ a good-quality ferritic material and fabricate it in such a manner as to insure complete absence of any flaws which could initiate brittle failure. This is an economically feasible course where the cost of materials is high compared to labor — a situation which does not exist in the United States. In some European countries, however, this is a practical procedure for which Izett steel is used. Izett steel is essentially an aluminum-killed low-carbon steel, made under carefully controlled chemical and physical specifications. It is quite tough for such a material; the A.S.M. Metals Handbook indicates that a keyhole-notch Charpy specimen will absorb 35 ft-lb. at -40° F. The real secret of its successful

For a more complete description of this failure, see the author's "A Critical Survey of Brittle Failure in Carbon Plate Steel Structures Other Than Ships", Bulletin No. 17 of the Welding Research Council, January 1954, and Ship Structure Committee Report SS C 65.

use, however, is careful, high-quality workmanship and inspection which completely eliminated defects. All welds are also stress-relieved.

Use of metal totally immune from brittle failure, or fabrication of a structure completely free from flaws, are both unattainable ideals for most situations. The problems and the choices lie in the region between the two extremes. In the construction of bridges, pressure vessels and ships, both material and fabrication costs must be held to reasonable levels. The fabricator is free to choose among such variables as chemical composition and deoxidizing procedure of his material providing he can stay within the commercial limits of reasonably priced, tonnage steel. Moreover, in choosing among varying chemical compositions, he must pick a steel which has sufficient strength to carry a reasonable working stress. As a consequence, much of the burden for the prevention of brittle failure must be placed on good design — which will accomplish, among other things, elimination of stress concentrations — and on good workmanship to prevent flaws.

Inspection plays an important part as well, and here it might be noted that one recent failure was initiated by a weld inspection probe which had been poorly replaced. Thus, X-rays are coming into greater use for detection of welding flaws. The thoroughness of inspection deemed desirable is dependent upon economic considerations. Many companies spot check welds at random by radiography. One oil company, however, radiographs completely all vertical welded joints in storage tanks.

Some Thoughts for the Future

Much argument has centered on the proposal to use deoxidized steel. It is well known that, for steels which are generally similar, a fully killed steel will have a lower ductile-to-brittle transition temperature than a semikilled steel. Similarly, a semikilled steel has a lower transition range than a rimming steel. These distinctions are not clear cut; there is some overlap. However, the use of rimming steels in the past may have contributed to some brittle failures. Having this in mind, the American Bureau of Shipping established new specifications for structural ships for hulls in 1947, which in effect, exclude rimming steels in larger ships and require a fully killed steel in heavy plate. Experience with post-World-War II ships indicates that the use of killed plate is often desirable.

This substitution of one deoxidation practice for another is, however, not the cure-all for brittle

failure, inasmuch as there are recent experiments which show that, aside from large alloy additions which are not economical under ordinary circumstances, there is a limit to the gains to be derived through changes in a steel's chemical composition. Data from the National Physical Laboratory in Great Britain²⁵ show that the transition temperatures for high-purity iron are not appreciably below those for ordinary ferritic steels.

Another question often raised concerns the relative merits of various tests for notch brittleness. All of these tests used in the United States (Charpy or Izod with V, keyhole or U-notches, tear tests, and so on, or the Schnadt test used in some parts of Europe) are consistent within themselves in that they generally rate a given group of materials in relatively the same order. None of them are absolute; their numerical results of foot-pounds of energy absorbed cannot be utilized directly in design.

A graphic demonstration of this is given comparing two Charpy specimens, geometrically similar, and differing only in size, tested at the same temperature and velocity of impact. Under the correct experimental conditions it will be found that when the smaller of the two specimens is fully or partially ductile, with high energy absorption, the larger one will be completely brittle with negligible energy absorption! Thus, it becomes impossible to project the results of any test directly to the behavior of a full-sized structure.

Moreover, this situation also indicates that the practice of figuring the energy absorbed per unit of cross-sectional area of the specimen is meaningless. Tests for notch brittleness are therefore of value only when correlated with experience derived from structures in service. Consequently, the American Society for Testing Materials' Standard A-300, which requires a minimum Charpy V-notch impact value of 15 ft-lb. at a specified service temperature (if such temperature is below -20° F.) is as good a guide as is available at the present time. Recent investigations of ship failures by M. L. Williams^{26, 27} and of non-ship failures by the author²⁸ seem to lend validity to this type of specification. Certainly, however, the engineer is in need of better criteria for making design decisions.

In conclusion, it seems fair to state that the basic mechanics of brittle failure is now fairly well understood; better understood, in fact, than many other fracture phenomena. The great remaining problem is the exact mechanism whereby such failure is initiated in service. Certainly

further investigation is needed on this point.

Much developmental research will be needed. New, rather than traditional, avenues of approach may have to be tried. The real difficulty at the present time is to acquaint the designer, the

metallurgist, and the engineer with the available facts so that these facts may be utilized in designing, welding, fabricating and steelmaking. Application and utilization of this available knowledge will be in itself no small task. ☺

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More on the Measurement of Case Depth

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The correspondence item "A Job for A.S.M." by Joseph J. Warga, chief metallurgist of Steel Products Engineering Co., in *Metal Progress* for February 1955, p. 118, presents the timely and important problem of establishing a standard for measuring carburized case depth.

A very large percentage of gears, particularly aircraft gears, are of the carburized type, yet in many years of experience I have not seen a print or specification that defined how the depth of case was to be measured.

Our practice has been to work to the effective case depth, defined as the point where the hardness range is Rockwell C-53 to 56, which is approximately in the center of the transition zone on a cross section of an as-carburized (soft) specimen, polished and etched.

In our gas carburizing methods, we have established time cycles for various case depths with interrupted diffusion periods whereby we

*EDITOR'S COMMENT: Years ago this Society had committees whose jobs were to prepare "recommended practices" for publication in the Metals Handbook. This practice has been discontinued and probably will not be resumed, at least in the near future. The A.S.M. has never formulated or issued standards, nor is there much possibility it ever will.

Taylor Lyman, who directs current activities on the Metals Handbook, intends to formulate a committee to deal with the measurement of case depth. The most likely approach to the problem of measuring case depth will be for the committee to describe the frequently used methods in the best current commercial practice. The committee will be encouraged to recommend one method over another, either for specific purposes or in general, and it will be almost required to compare the advantages and disadvantages of the methods. However, it will not be required to decide on one method as the "standard" method.

obtain a wide demarcation line or transition zone, and periodically include two flat test bars 8 in. long with a regular carburizing load. We then make a carbon analysis of each 0.005-in. layer of case of one as-carburized bar. The second test bar is hardened and tempered for hardness measurements at increments of 0.005 in. This enables us to plot a carbon-versus-hardness gradient graph.

The writer supports Mr. Warga's views that some standardized method for measurement of effective case depth should be established, and that American Society for Metals should sponsor such a standard.* In answer to Mr. Warga's closing words, "What to do about it", appoint a committee to study the problem and recommend a standard method of measuring case depth.

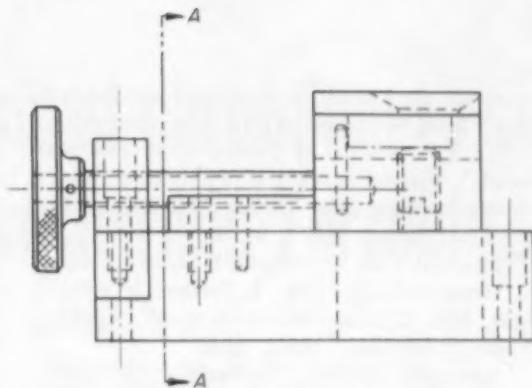
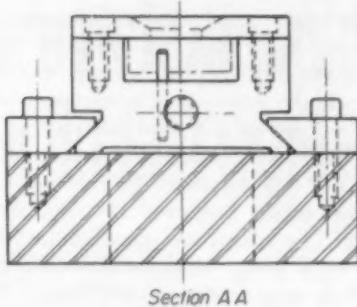
WILLIAM VON SEGGERN
Watson-Flagg Machine Co.

MONTREAL, CANADA

Our method of measuring the depth of carburized case may be of interest to readers of Mr. Warga's letter who are also asking "How can we measure effective case depth?"

We prepare a hardness-depth curve on the cross section of the quenched test piece. The case depth is defined as the depth to any arbitrary hardness—in our work Vickers 500.

The method is to cut and rough polish the hardened test piece, which may be 1 in. square. The sample is then clamped face up against the underside of a thin plate with an opening in it to expose an edge and part of the polished face through the opening. (The drawing on the opposite page gives two views of the clamping device, which we call Penetrascope Hardness Checker.) The clamp is mounted on a calibrated screw which permits traversing of the specimen. The whole clamp assembly is placed in position in a Vickers-type hardness tester that can be used with a load of 5 kg. The impressions vary in size from about 0.115 mm. at a hardness of



Penetroscope Hardness Checker Used at Dominion Engineering Works, Ltd., for Determining Depth of Carburized Case

702 to 0.136 mm. at 502; the hardness readings are taken at intervals of about 0.010 in. Estimation of case depth can be made by inspection of the readings without actually drawing a curve.

It requires about $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. to complete the entire test, including reheating, quenching and sectioning of the test piece, this being quite acceptable for deep case batch-type operation. We have found that the test can be performed by an intelligent workman and that it gives reproducible results free from any personal factor.

The test can of course be used with any grade of steel and we have found it of particular value with a 3% nickel carburizing steel. The hardened fracture in this case is useless as a measure of case depth and the microstructure, while usable for the purpose, is difficult to read and can be misleading.

A. H. LEWIS
Chief Metallurgist
Dominion Engineering Works, Ltd.

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DETROIT

We note in your February 1955 issue an article entitled "Electrostatic Finishing of Appliances". In reading this article, one would get the impression that Ransburg Electro-Coating Corp. had built the entire finishing system, less the conveyer. The facts are, this is a complete Mahon Finishing System, planned, engineered, built and installed by the R. C. Mahon Co. This includes the paint storage and circulating system.

The Ransburg Corp. installed the electrostatic spray equipment in one of the three Mahon spray booths (top picture on p. 84 and p. 86). All other equipment shown is Mahon equipment.

FREDERICK R. ANDERSON
President
Anderson, Inc.

Three-Inch Book Shelf on Quality Control

STEUBENVILLE, OHIO

A question that is asked frequently enough that it may be of general interest to A.S.M. members is, "What books would you recommend for more details on quality control than are in the Metals Handbook article?" There are so many good books that a complete answer to this question soon exceeds both the shelf space and money available to any except a professional librarian.

The following three-inch shelf of books on



quality control has been found to cover the field rather well for such a modest expenditure:

"A.S.T.M. Manual of Quality Control of Materials", Special Technical Publication 15-C, American Society for Testing Materials, Philadelphia (January 1951), \$1.75.

"Practical Uses of Statistical Quality Control in Metal Industries", W. J. Youden, Irving W. Burr, John W. Hood and John W. W. Sullivan, A.S.M., Cleveland (1954), \$1.50.

"Automatic Control Terminology", American Society of Mechanical Engineers, 29 West 39th Street, New York (1954), \$1.00.

"Some Rapid Approximate Statistical Procedures", Frank Wilcoxon, American Cyanamid Co., Stamford, Conn. (July 1949).

"Facts From Figures", M. J. Moroney, Penguin Books, Baltimore 1, Md. (1951), \$.80.

"An Outline of Statistical Methods", Herbert Arkin and Raymond R. Colton, Barnes & Noble, New York, \$1.50.

"Tables for Statisticians", Herbert Arkin and Raymond R. Colton, Barnes & Noble, New York, \$1.00.

"Fundamentals of Statistics", J. B. Scarborough and R. W. Wagner, Ginn and Co., Boston, \$2.60.

FRANK G. NORRIS
Metallurgical Engineer
Wheeling Steel Corp.

No Shortage of Industrial Diamonds

(But no Abundance Either)

NEW YORK, N.Y.

The trend of some of the articles on sintered carbide grinding with diamond wheels or other media that appear from time to time in trade magazines gives great concern to the Industrial Diamond Assoc. of America, which has responsibility for the welfare of the industrial diamond industry in this country.

In face of the many statements made in good faith by so many persons of evident authority, the denial that there is a shortage of industrial diamonds might be difficult to believe. However, this is the fact, and we feel it is our duty to supply you with the explanation, inasmuch as the December 1954 issue of *Metal Progress* printed an extensive article, "Grinding Cemented Carbides", by Arthur H. Allen. The article is the latest of those that are unintentionally crystallizing an erroneous impression in the minds of the public.

The information that follows has been supplied to many (who then changed their views) and it was recently supplied in practically the same terms to the Senate Subcommittee investigating self-sufficiency in critical materials.

So that you may evaluate the source of the main points of this statement, we cite the origin and purposes of the Industrial Diamond Assoc. of America. The association was organized nine years ago by a group of industry leaders as a result of their own experience and that of War Production Board officials, during World War II. It was needed for the coordination of such forward-looking activities as a trade association might properly concern itself within the interests of the group and in the public interest, which includes maintenance of a healthy condition in an essential industry. Ever since, this association has been called upon by the various branches of Government and by American industry in general for advice and cooperation.

At the outset of "Korea", with huge government contracts to be distributed to manufacturers of automotive, aeronautical and other important military materials, each manufacturer took immediate steps to insure for himself an abundant supply of equipment and tools. Avalanches of unusual orders fell on the producers of diamond tools — manufacturers were duplicating their orders almost wherever orders were being taken. In their turn, the manufacturers of diamond tools (mostly grinding wheels) rushed to obtain supplies of diamond powder and of the bort type of industrial diamond.

The National Production Authority's Miscellaneous Metals & Minerals Div. was besieged from all sides with pleas for assistance in obtaining crushing bort and powder. It was difficult, if not impossible, to evaluate the actual requirements. So, although there appeared to be a critical shortage, there was no shortage.

The executive manager of this association, together with its various members, when called for conference or by their own initiative, were able to convince the Government and others that if it could know where to locate all of the raw commodity, and influence its acquisition and sale, and that if those who used diamond grinding wheels in industry were prohibited from ordering more than their reasonable advance requirements, the shortage bubble would burst.

The National Production Authority by its Order M-102 sponsored by the N.P.A. Miscellaneous Metals & Minerals Div., and Order M-103

(Continued on p. 170)

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Personal Mention



Anton deSales Brasunas

An important step in the development of the "A.S.M. of Tomorrow" (*Metal Progress*, December 1954, p. 80) is the establishment of the "Metals Engineering Institute". To implement this extensive home-study program ANTON BRASUNAS has been appointed to the newly created position of director of educational activities for A.S.M.

Dr. Brasunas has an exceptional background in educational, scientific and practical aspects of metallurgy. He has a B.S. degree in chemical engineering from Antioch College, a Master's in metallurgy from Ohio State University, and a Ph.D. from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. As a research engineer at Battelle Memorial Institute (1943-47) he worked on high-temperature problems; as a metallurgist at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (1950-52) he tackled the unique metallurgical problems of nuclear reactors; and, most recently, as associate professor at University of Tennessee he has developed an enthusiastic interest in metallurgical education at all levels. He is currently vice-chairman of the Oak Ridge Chapter A.S.M., and has served in various official capacities for the National Association of Corrosion Engineers and the American Society for Engineering Education.

Dr. Brasunas's first assignment will be the organization and production of more than 40 metals engineering

courses. The Society is to be congratulated on securing the services of such a competent instructor and organizer.

**W. H. EISENMAN, Secretary
AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR METALS**

James P. Hontas, \ominus headquarters staff metallurgist who has been working with Metals Handbook committees for the past six months, has been promoted to district manager of *Metal Progress* in the Philadelphia-New Jersey area. Prior to his appointment to the A.S.M. staff last year, Mr. Hontas was employed by Goodyear Aircraft Corp., Cleveland Graphite Bronze Co., and Clark Controller Co. He holds degrees in engineering from Colorado School of Mines and in business administration from Fenn College.

Ernest George Kendall \ominus , formerly research engineer with Titanium Metal Corp. of America, Henderson, Nev., has accepted an International Nickel Co. of Canada fellowship at the University of Kentucky for the degree of doctor of engineering in physical metallurgy.



Clyde Williams

The honorary degree of doctor of laws was conferred upon CLYDE WILLIAMS \ominus , president and director of Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, by Ohio's Marietta College at its recent Founder's Day convocation. In bestowing the degree, Dr. Williams was cited for his belief that "material and spiritual achievements cannot be separated from each other" and for his conviction that "industrial research is the activating force behind our nation's progress". He was also noted for the many special contributions to his country in time of war, and his practical application of his faith in the ability of free men to solve their problems. Dr. Williams also holds honorary doctorates from Case Institute of Technology, University of Utah, Michigan College of Mining and Technology, and Ohio State University. His business, academic, and governmental affiliations are many, as are his special wartime (World War II) committee memberships and chairmanships. He was recipient of the Presidential Citation and Medal for Merit for wartime direction of research activities. Dr. Williams is the author or co-author of 117 published articles and bulletins. He holds memberships in 28 technical and professional societies, and is a past president of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers.

Harry Barnett \ominus has been appointed vice-president and general manager of Donald Inspection Limited of Montreal and Toronto.

Sub-Editor Wanted

Metal Progress needs a man who can take charge initially of digests and correspondence pages and articles in limited portion of editorial field appropriate to his experience. Degree in metallurgical engineering (or its equivalent) and some plant experience almost essential for future advancement. Ability and desire to write direct, simple, colloquial American essential; editorial experience desirable but not necessary. Salary in proportion to education, metallurgical and editorial experience. Send account of qualifications to M. R. Hyslop (Confidential), Managing Editor, *Metal Progress*, 7301 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

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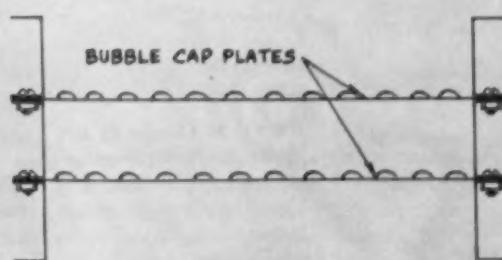
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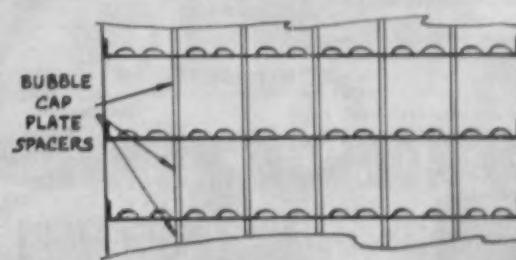
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Section through new welded tower. Bubble cap plates have had bolt holes sheared off, edges turned up. They are held in place by spacer rods.

Personals . . .

W. J. Brigham , formerly district manager of the Cincinnati office of the Timken Roller Bearing Co., is now district manager of the Detroit office. A graduate of the University of Michigan, Mr. Brigham started with Timken in 1940, after serving five years with the Chrysler Corp. Prior to his Cincinnati assignment, he was a sales engineer in the company's Chicago office. John J. McGrann , district manager of the steel division's Houston, Texas, office, has assumed Mr. Brigham's post at Cincinnati. A graduate of Ohio State University, Mr. Mc-

Grann joined the Timken Roller Bearing Co. in 1945, after serving in the U. S. Army for five years. Succeeding Mr. McGrann as Houston district manager is Ralph Preston , formerly a sales engineer in the Houston office, who has been with the company since 1949 after graduating from the University of Kentucky. After serving two years in the U. S. Army, he returned to the company as a metallurgist, then became a sales trainee before he was assigned to the Houston office as a sales engineer. Edwin E. Lightfoot , a 1952 University of Michigan graduate and a recent sales trainee, has been assigned to the Houston office as a sales engineer.

Emmett A. Smith  has been appointed chief engineer in the electrode division of the Lincoln Electric Co., Cleveland. Mr. Smith graduated from Ohio State University in 1928 as an electrical engineer and immediately joined the Lincoln engineering department. He was assistant chief engineer prior to this appointment.

H. George De Young  has been appointed executive vice-president of Atlas Steels Limited, Welland, Ont., after having acted in that capacity for some time. After joining the Atlas company in 1951 as works manager, Mr. De Young was named vice-president of operations in May 1952, and appointed to the board of directors in March 1954. Immediately prior to his first Atlas appointment, he was works manager of Treadwell Engineering Co., Easton, Pa. Mr. De Young graduated from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1931, but resigned his commission in the Navy and went to work for Midvale Co., Philadelphia. As superintendent of the shell department making armor-piercing projectiles, he received an award from the U. S. Government for research and development. He was made works engineer for Midvale in 1947, resigning in 1949 to go with Treadwell Engineering.

John E. Srawley  has joined Arwood Precision Casting Corp., Brooklyn, N. Y., in the capacity of standards engineer. Mr. Srawley holds the degree of B. S. with first class honors in engineering metallurgy from the University of London, England. Except for a period of service as a pilot with the Royal Air Force, he has been a metallurgist since 1938, and prior to joining Arwood had been assistant director of research with the Meehanite Corp., New Rochelle, N. Y.

Robert W. Stoddard , formerly vice-president of Wyman-Gordon Co., Worcester, Mass., is now president of the company.

C. J. McGowan  has been appointed sales engineer for the standard steel works division of Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp. in western Pennsylvania and West Virginia, working out of the Pittsburgh office. He was formerly associated with Kropp Forge Co. in its Chicago sales territory.

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Personals . . .

Wallace B. Leyda  has been appointed chief metallurgist of Ohio Seamless Tube Division of Copperweld Steel Co., Shelby, Ohio. Before joining Ohio Seamless, Mr. Leyda held a similar position with Northern Indiana Brass Co., Elkhart, Ind.

H. O. Klinke  has joined the Taylor-Winfield Corp., Warren, Ohio, as a sales engineer.

Richard W. Sievert  is president of the recently incorporated firm of Milwaukee Fabrication, Inc., Milwaukee, Wis.

Edwin S. Tankins  is now employed in the metallurgical engineering section of the steam division, Westinghouse Electric Corp., South Philadelphia, Pa., and in addition is attending the University of Pennsylvania, working for a M. S. degree under the Westinghouse educational program.

William E. Mahin  has resigned as technical director of Vanadium Corp. of America at the research center in Cambridge, Ohio, to accept the position of vice-president and director of research for the Hunter Engineering Co., Riverside, Calif.

Julius J. Kirchhof , formerly executive vice-president of the Franklin Balmar Corp., Baltimore, was recently elected president. He has been a member of the organization since 1937.

Wells E. Ellis , who received his master of science degree from the University of Illinois, has been appointed assistant lubrication engineer at the Timken Roller Bearing Co., Canton, Ohio. Starting with the company in 1948, Mr. Ellis served as a research metallurgist until his recent promotion.

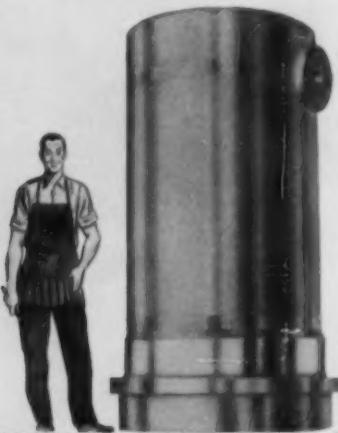
Charles M. Ruprecht , president of Electro-Alloys Division of American Brake Shoe Co. since 1953, has been named executive vice-president of National Bearing Division. Mr. Ruprecht joined the company as a sales apprentice in 1946, and was made sales manager of the Electro-Alloys Division in 1950, moving up to vice-president and president. Paul L. McCulloch, Jr. , sales manager of the Electro-Alloys Division since 1953, succeeds Mr. Ruprecht as division president. Mr. McCulloch joined the company as a trainee in 1945 and joined the Electro-Alloys Division as a sales engineer in 1947.

A. F. ("Charlie") Davis  was recently honored by the Lincoln Electric Co., Cleveland, as one of its oldest employees in point of service. Mr. Davis received a service pin in recognition of his 40 years of continuous service with the company, which he serves as vice-president and secretary.

Harold W. Hanes  has been appointed research metallgrapher for the Vanadium Corp. of America at its new research center in Cambridge, Ohio. Until recently Mr. Hanes had been metallgrapher at Ford Motor Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Albert G. Haynes  has accepted the position of assistant chief engineer, Oscar C. Rixson Co., Franklin Park, Ill. He was formerly with the Buell Mfg. Co., Chicago.

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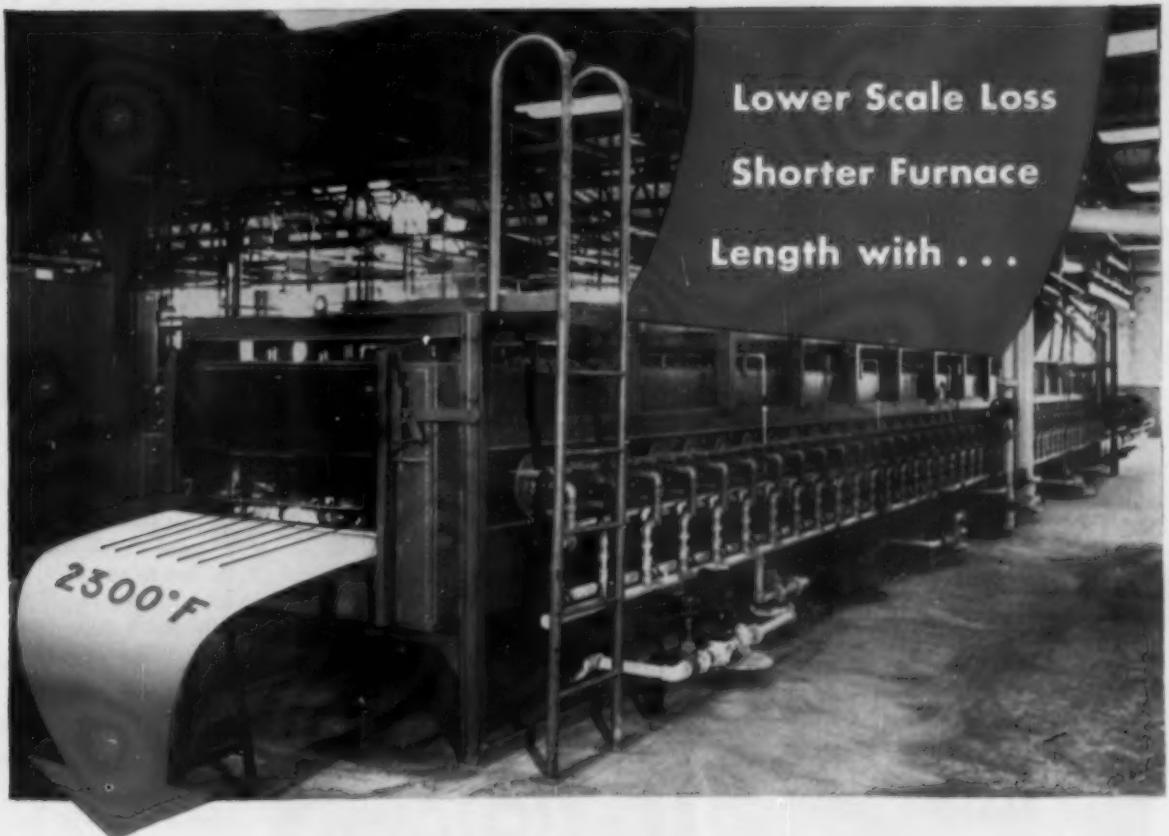
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Charles O. Smith  formerly with Aluminum Research Laboratories, Aluminum Co. of America, New Kensington, Pa., is now service engineer, engineering services division, E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del.

William J. Doelker  has been appointed chief metallurgist of Globe Industries, Inc., Dayton, Ohio.

Karl E. Beu  has joined the staff of the laboratory division of Good-year Atomic Corp. near Portsmouth, Ohio, as supervisor of physical measurements department. He had been previously employed by Phillips Petroleum Co., research department, in the chemical physics section, Bartlesville, Okla., and for the past six years as senior physicist in charge of X-ray diffraction research in the laboratory division of General Motors Corp., Detroit.

William J. Buechling , former chief metallurgist, has been appointed one of the assistant general superintendents of Copperweld Steel Co., Warren, Ohio. A graduate of Carnegie Institute of Technology in 1926, Mr. Buechling has been at Copperweld since 1940. Prior to that time he was with the central alloy district of Republic Steel Corp.

Kenneth A. DeLonge  has been placed in charge of the iron and non-ferrous castings section of the development and research division of the International Nickel Co., Inc., New York. Mr. DeLonge graduated from Michigan State College as a mechanical engineer in 1936. He joined International Nickel in June 1937 as a member of the cast iron section of the company's research laboratory at Bayonne, N. J., and in March 1940 was transferred to the development and research division in New York as a specialist on Ni-Hard.

R. K. Rawlins  who has been on the Chicago sales staff of Lindberg Engineering Co. for several years, has been appointed district manager with offices in Dallas and will direct sales activities in the Texas-Louisiana area. He succeeds William A. Hammer , who has resigned to join Dominy Heat Treating Corp., Dallas.

Wilson A. Holland  has been appointed to the staff of the gaseous diffusion plant at Oak Ridge, Tenn., an atomic energy installation operated by Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Co., a division of Union Carbide and Carbon Corp.

Edgar W. Husemann  former assistant chief metallurgist, has been named chief metallurgist of Copperweld Steel Co., Warren, Ohio. Mr. Husemann, a 30-year steel veteran, is a graduate of the Illinois Institute of Technology and has been with Copperweld since 1941. Prior to that time he taught chemistry at Lewis Institute in Chicago, and for 14 years was a metallurgist with the South Chicago district of Republic Steel Corp.

W. J. Lohmeyer, Jr.  has been promoted to district manager of the Pittsburgh territory of Latrobe Steel Co. Mr. Lohmeyer is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh and has been associated with Latrobe Steel Co. in a sales capacity since 1945.



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Byron Campbell (S) was recently appointed vice-president and director of engineering of Allen Electric and Equipment Co., Kalamazoo, Mich. Mr. Campbell, a graduate of Case Institute of Technology in electrical engineering, did post-graduate work at Johns Hopkins University, and then joined the Timken Roller Bearing Co., Canton, Ohio, as de-

velopment engineer in charge of engine and physical laboratories. In 1940 he became development engineer for the Glenn L. Martin Co., Baltimore, and later was transferred to Omaha as chief of laboratories. In 1945, Mr. Campbell joined Harry Ferguson, Inc., Detroit, as chief of laboratories, and in 1951 was promoted to executive engineer.

Earl J. Hagan (S) is now chief metallurgist of Aircraft-Marine Products, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.

Vincent E. Lysaght (S) has been appointed general sales manager of the American Chain & Cable Co., Inc., with headquarters in New York City. He was formerly divisional manager of the Helicoid, Campbell Machine and Wilson divisions of American Chain & Cable. Mr. Lysaght is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and author of the book "Indentation Hardness Testing".

Charles C. Mathews (S) has joined the technical division of Superior Tube Co., Norristown, Pa., and is assigned to the metallurgical laboratory. He was formerly employed at Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Philadelphia, as a sales engineer, and prior to that at Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa. He was graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1942 with a bachelor of science degree in metallurgical engineering.

Stanley W. Moulton (S) has joined the engineering staff of Hitchiner Mfg. Co., Inc., Milford, N. H. Mr. Moulton has specialized in the production of investment castings since leaving Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1950. Since that time he has been connected with the Midwest Precision Castings Co., Cleveland, and for the past year was chief engineer at Midwest.

Herbert J. Arnold (S) was recently appointed supervisor of stainless, bar, wire and billet sales for Crucible Steel Co. of America, Pittsburgh. Mr. Arnold began his career with Crucible in 1945 as a metallurgical sales engineer. Previously, he had been associated with Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., Thompson Products, Inc., and the aviation division of Packard Motor Car Co. in various engineering capacities. In 1948 Mr. Arnold was named general supervisor of the metallurgical department at Crucible's Sanderson-Halcomb Works in Syracuse, N. Y. Four years later he was appointed supervisor of stainless sales for Crucible's Cleveland branch, a position he held until his recent promotion. He is a graduate of Ohio State University, holding a bachelor of metallurgical engineering degree.

L. E. Simon (S) has been promoted from chief metallurgist to chief process engineer of Electro-Motive Div., General Motors Corp., La Grange, Ill.

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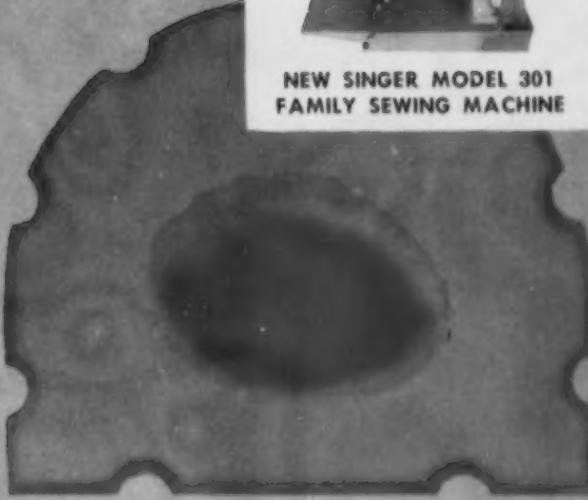
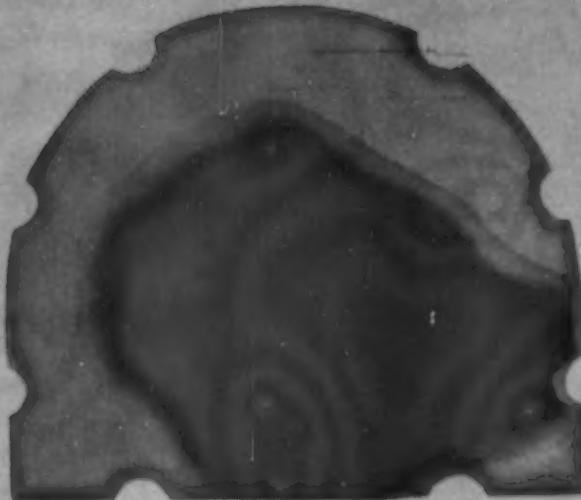
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Personals . . .

F. J. Walls (3), in charge of the Detroit technical field section of the development and research division of the International Nickel Co., Inc., delivered the Charles Edgar Hoyt lecture of the American Foundrymen's Society during its convention in Houston, Tex., last month. A past president of A.F.S., Mr. Walls was selected because of his continued in-

terest in improving the quality level of foundry education, his long service to the organization and his contributions to the foundry industry as a whole. He has been associated with International Nickel since 1934.

Edsel E. Bishop (3), formerly metallurgist at the Duquesne, Pa., works of the United States Steel Corp., was recently appointed metallurgist and manager of product development at the Ambridge, Pa., works of Wyckoff Steel Co.

Philip T. Stroup (3) was recently appointed assistant director of research at the Aluminum Research Laboratories of Aluminum Co. of America in New Kensington, Pa. Dr. Stroup received his A.B. and A.M. degrees in chemistry from the University of Indiana and his Ph.D. degree in physical chemistry from the University of Wisconsin in 1929. He joined the Aluminum Research Laboratories at that time in the physical chemistry division. He was transferred to the metallurgical division in 1936 and was promoted to chief of the process metallurgy division in 1942.

Harry N. Hill (3), who has been assistant chief of the Aluminum Research Laboratories' engineering design division, Aluminum Co. of America, New Kensington, Pa., since 1944, is now chief of the division. Mr. Hill received his B.S. degree in civil engineering from the University of Pittsburgh in 1927, and received his M.S. degree in engineering mechanics from Carnegie Institute of Technology night school in 1939. He joined Alcoa in 1927, where he was employed in the physical testing division of the research laboratories.

Scouller L. Weaver (3) has been promoted to district manager of the Buffalo territory of Latrobe Steel Co. Mr. Weaver graduated from Pennsylvania State University with a bachelor of science degree in metallurgical engineering. Following various sales engineering capacities and a period of service with the U. S. Navy during World War II, he joined Latrobe Steel Co. as a sales engineer attached to the Chicago office. He later was promoted to district sales manager of the Pittsburgh office.

A. Craig Hood (3) and **George E. Clauer** (3) have joined the technical division of Superior Tube Co., Norristown, Pa., and have been assigned to the metallurgical laboratory. Mr. Hood formerly was employed at Union Twist Drill Co., Athol, Mass., and at Midvale Co., Philadelphia. He was graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1950. Mr. Clauer was formerly employed at the AGT Division of Westinghouse Electric Corp., and is a graduate of Lehigh University, class of 1953.

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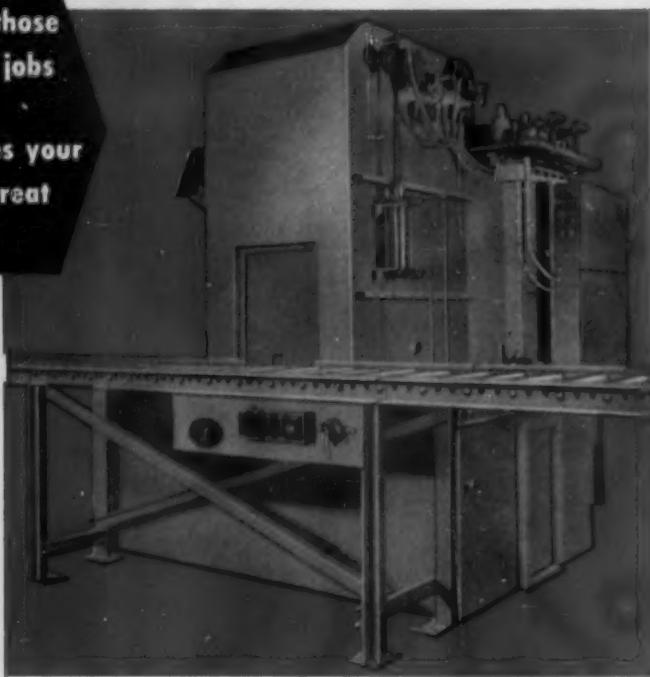
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Personals . . .

Lawrence F. Boland , sales manager of the Beryllium Corp., Reading, Pa., since 1952, has been named to the newly created office of vice-president in charge of sales. Mr. Boland, who became associated with the firm in 1935, previously served as a sales correspondent, production control chief, and production manager. The board of directors at the same meeting re-elected Matthew J. Donachie  president of Beryllium Corp.

William H. Wills, Jr. , formerly metallurgist with Universal-Cyclops Steel Corp., Titusville, Pa., is now employed in the tubular products division, Babcock & Wilcox Co., Beaver Falls, Pa.

R. F. Bunshah , formerly on the staff of the research laboratory of Carnegie Institute of Technology, is now associate engineering scientist with the research division of New York University.

D. L. Douglass  holds the St. Joseph Lead Co. fellowship at Pennsylvania State University and is working toward his Ph.D. in metallurgy. Mr. Douglass was formerly research metallurgist in the atomic energy division, Savannah River plant, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Augusta, Ga.

Frank St. Vincent , formerly service engineer for Vanadium Corp. of America in the Pittsburgh district, is now manager of sales and service for Globe Metallurgical Corp., Beverly, Ohio.

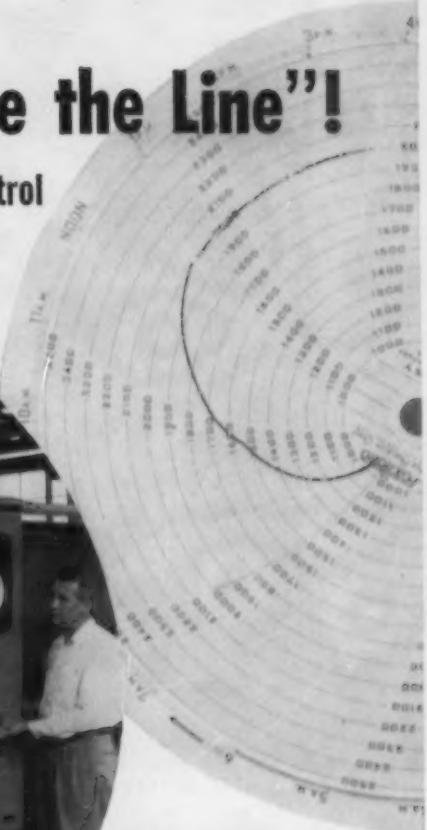
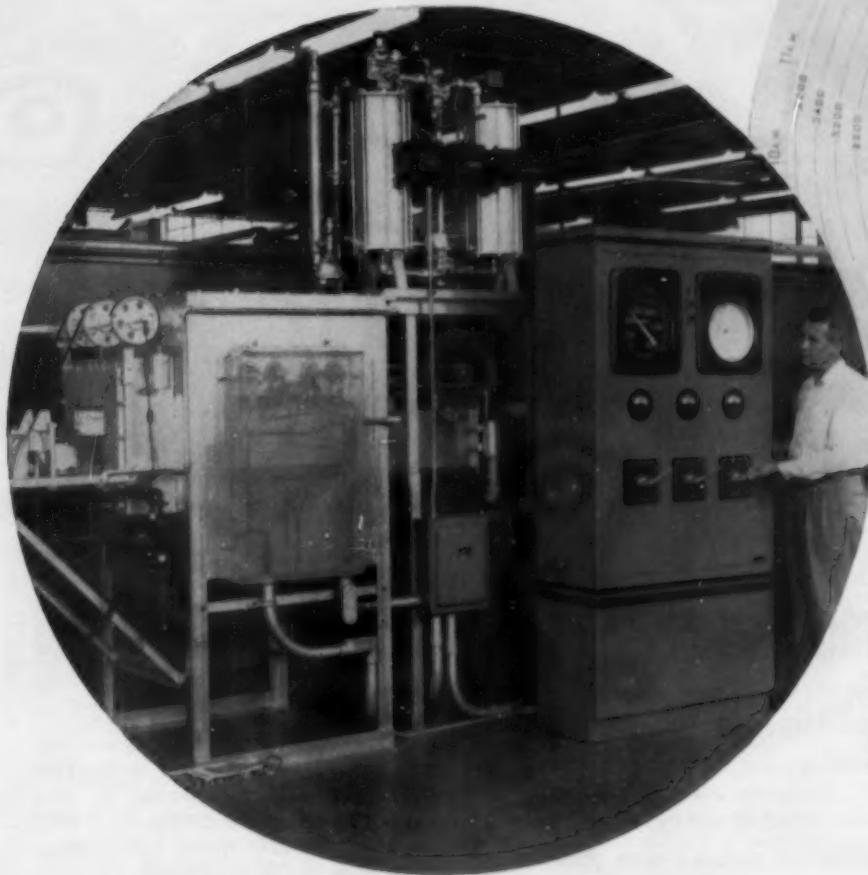
John D. Berwick Jr. , formerly chief metallurgist in the metals division of Olin-Mathieson Chemical Corp., New Haven, Conn., has joined Seymour Mfg. Co., Seymour, Conn., as assistant to the works manager.

Gerald J. Lubin , formerly metallurgist for the Electric Auto-Lite Co., Toledo, Ohio, is now research analyst for Menasco Mfg. Co., Burbank, Calif.

R. G. Coleman , formerly research metallurgist for Massey-Harris-Ferguson, Ltd., Toronto, has been transferred to the Detroit branch to become chief of materials laboratory and materials engineer.

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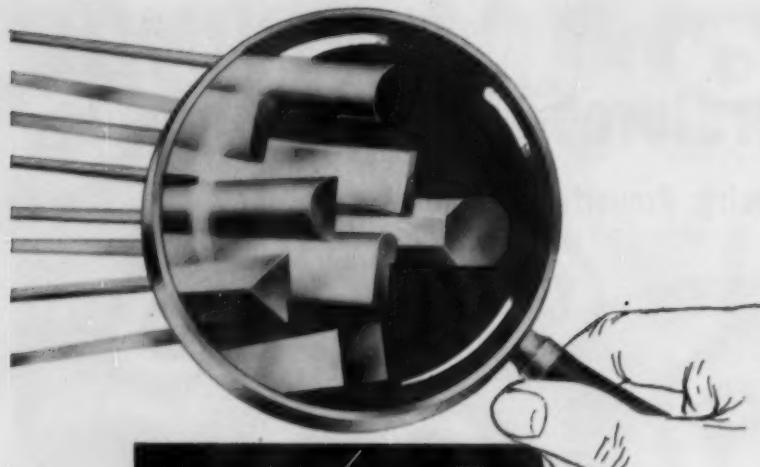
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Personals . . .

Harvey D. Ross (3) recently resigned as plant metallurgist of Temco Aircraft Corp., Dallas, Tex., to accept a position as senior metallurgist, Trentwood, Wash., rolling mill, Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp.

Howard E. Pellett (3), formerly chief metallurgist of Metal Control Laboratories, Huntington Park, Calif., has been named secretary-treasurer of Pasadena Steel Treating Co., Pasadena, Calif.

Donald Lee Byrne (3) recently left the research department of Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., Dunkirk, N. Y., to serve two years in the U. S. Army.

Robert E. Boni (3), formerly research metallurgical engineer for the Timken Roller Bearing Co., Canton, Ohio, after obtaining the degree of Ph.D. from Carnegie Institute of Technology, is presently in the U. S. Army doing metallurgical research for the Interior Ballistics Laboratory of the Ballistics Research Laboratory at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., as a private.

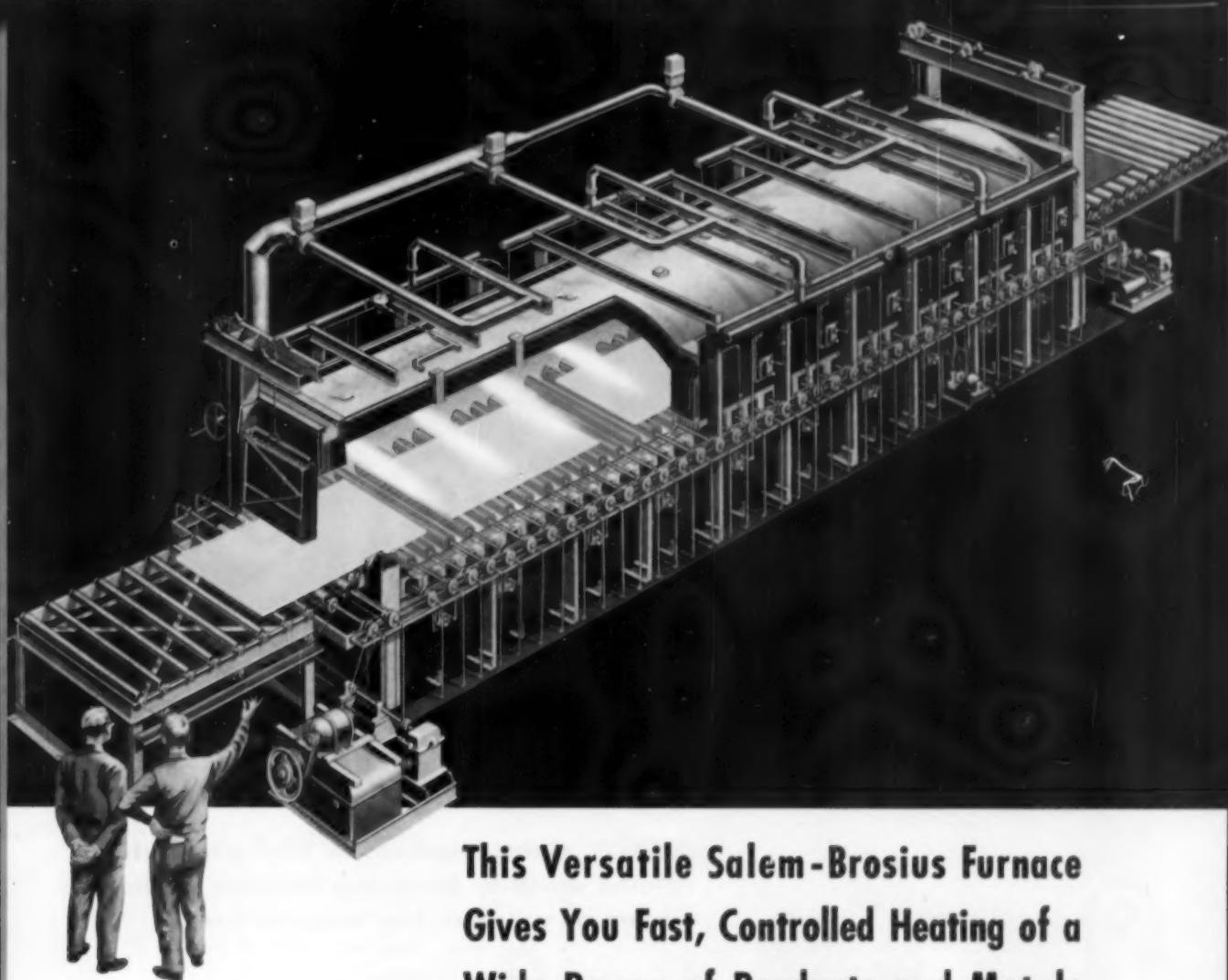
A. B. Lawrason, past-chairman of the Ontario Chapter (3), is now vice-president and managing director of Bickle-Seagrave, Ltd., Woodstock, Ont., Canada.

D. F. Greenawalt (3) is now employed as metallurgist at the Thor Power Tool Co., Aurora, Ill., after several years with the Rich Mfg. Corp., Battle Creek, Mich., where he served as metallurgist.

John M. Faulkner (3), formerly production supervisor at Fisher Body Div. of General Motors Corp., Willow Springs, Ill., is now welding engineer with Solar Aircraft Co., Des Moines, Iowa.

Percy C. Still (3) was recently transferred to Dallas, Tex., as district service engineer for the Tennessee Coal and Iron Div. of United States Steel Corp. Mr. Still was formerly service engineer working out of Fairfield, Ala.

Grady Glenn Pendley (3), formerly employed as an engineer with Cameron Iron Works, Houston, Tex., is now a sales engineer with the Van der Horst Corp. of America, Terrell, Texas.



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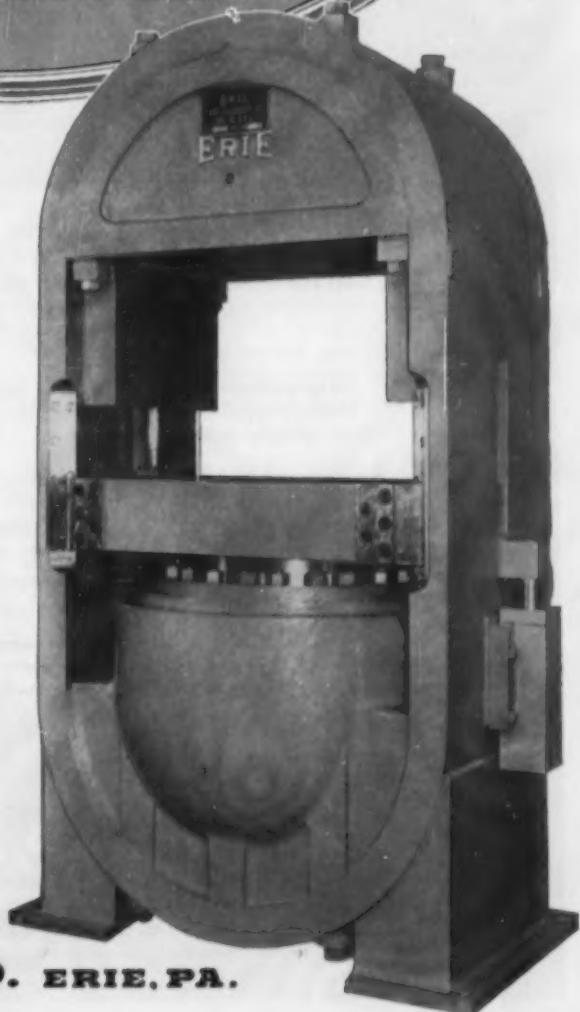
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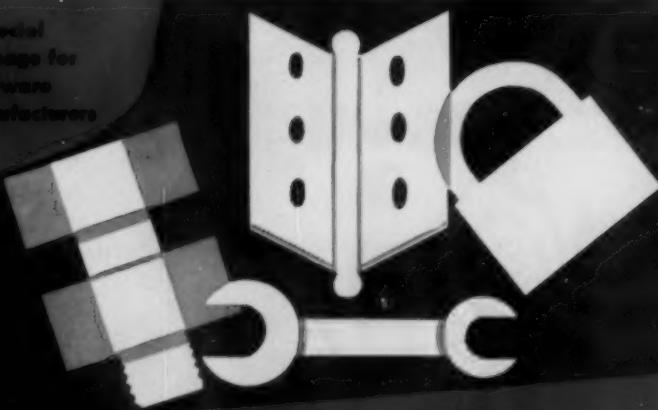


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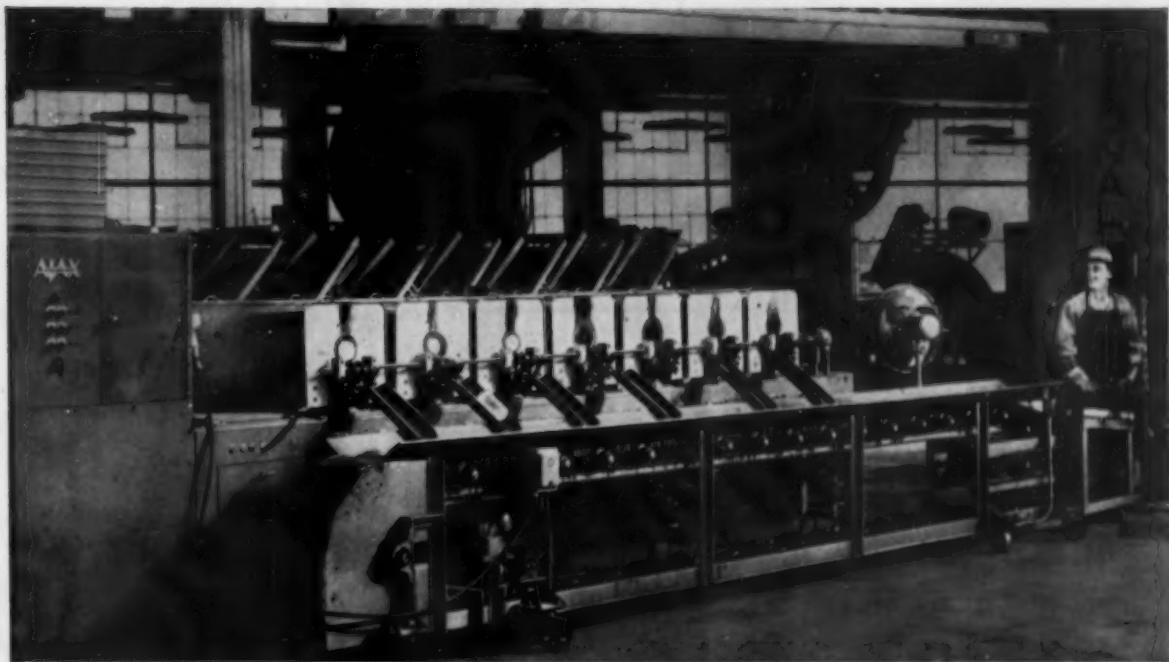
Personals . . .

William J. Murray **•** has been transferred from the Syracuse, N. Y., office of Surface Combustion Corp. to take charge of the Ardmore (Philadelphia), Pa., office, and William M. Dempster **•** has been moved from the Chicago office to manage the Syracuse office. A graduate of the University of Utah, Mr. Murray has been with the company since 1937. Mr. Dempster has been with Surface since he was graduated from Purdue in 1941, and has been a member of the Chicago sales office since 1946.

Harold O. Warnock **•** has been appointed chief plant engineer, and Jack H. Powers **•** is now superintendent, X-ray and metallography, for Firth-Loach Metals, Inc., McKeesport, Pa. Prior to joining Firth-Loach, Mr. Warnock was mechanical development engineer with Kennametal, Inc., Latrobe, Pa., from 1945 to 1948. He joined the carbide department of Firth-Sterling, Inc., McKeesport, Pa., as tool engineer in 1948, later becoming chief engineer of research department in charge of testing. Mr. Powers started his career in the carbide department of Firth-Sterling, Inc., in 1935, and was assigned to the research department in 1944. He became superintendent of X-ray diffraction and metallographic laboratories in 1952. In conjunction with the Eastman Kodak Co., he has developed techniques for color photomicrography for studying the structure-property relationships of carbide mixtures.

George H. Wurster **•** has been appointed manager of forging and die steel sales of Heppenstall Co., Pittsburgh. Mr. Wurster joined the company in 1937 and was made production manager at the Eddystone plant in 1941 and district sales representative in Boston in 1944. Since 1952 he has served as eastern sales manager, with headquarters at Hartford, Conn. He is a graduate of Drexel Institute of Technology, 1937.

C. W. Lueders, Jr. **•**, with offices in Riverton, N. J., was recently appointed sales agent for the eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and Maryland territory of the Detroit Electric Furnace Division of Kuhlman Electric Co., Bay City, Mich.



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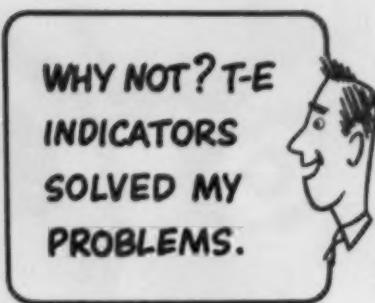
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Personals . . .

George Shomber, Jr. , assistant superintendent of the electrical test department of Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis., since 1949, has been appointed assistant to the works manager at the company's Pittsburgh works. Mr. Shomber, an electrical engineering graduate of Carnegie Institute of Technology, started with Allis-Chalmers in 1937 as a test department helper.

Warren P. Chernock , now a senior metallurgical engineer in the physical measurements section, engineering development department, atomic energy division, Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Bayside, N. Y. He was formerly associated with the general research organization of the Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp., New Haven, Conn.

Dale Bittinger , is now employed as conversion plate supervisor by Jeasop Steel Co. at Colorado Fuel and Iron, Claymont, Del., and Lukens Steel Co., Coatesville, Pa. He was formerly sheet mill foreman for Atlas Steels, Ltd., Welland, Ont.

Robert M. Snyder , has been appointed sales engineer for Surface Combustion Corp. in its Chicago industrial sales office. An engineering graduate of Michigan State College, Mr. Snyder has been associated with Surface Combustion since 1948, and has worked in development, estimating, and erection departments on all types of steel mill equipment.

Joseph M. Denny , after completing the work for the doctorate degree at California Institute of Technology, is now a research associate in the laboratories of General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Glen W. Wensch , recently joined the Division of Reactor Development of the Atomic Energy Commission in the newly created Civilian Power Reactors Branch. Previous to his new position, Dr. Wensch was senior metallurgical engineer for the Vitro Corp. of America, Detroit, and consultant to the Dow-Detroit Edison Study Group on reactor fuels and fuels reprocessing systems.

John W. Carter , recently joined United Wire & Supply Co., Providence, R. I., as project engineer.

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Personals . . .

Edward H. Robie, assistant secretary of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers for over 20 years and secretary since 1949, has retired and been named secretary emeritus by the Institute's board of directors. Ernest O. Kirkendall is the new secretary. He has been secretary of various metals divisions of the Institute for nine years, and is well known to many ASME members who have attended our Metal Congresses and Expositions, where "Kirk" has directed the meetings of the A.I.M.E. Metals Branches held jointly with the A.S.M.

Robert Draznik, formerly metallurgical engineer at General Electric Co., Fort Wayne, Ind., is now laboratory metallurgist, American Steel & Wire Co., Joliet, Ill.

R. B. Rich, for the past five years in the employ of Revere Copper and Brass, Inc., Baltimore, Md., has been inducted into the U. S. Army.

John P. Denny, formerly research assistant at California Institute of Technology, was recently appointed manager, metallurgy and welding section, general engineering laboratory, General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Fred W. De Money is employed as research engineer, mechanical evaluation section, department of metallurgical research, Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., Spokane, Wash.

Robert L. Ray, formerly employed in the alloy and stainless steel division, Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Emeryville, Calif., is now a metallurgical engineer, Pyromet Co., San Francisco, Calif.

Ronald A. Kelsey, formerly a research engineer with Aluminum Research Laboratories of Aluminum Co. of America, New Kensington, Pa., is now employed as an engineer in the preliminary hull design section, Electric Boat Div., General Dynamics Corp., Groton, Conn.

M. Scott Brooks, a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1954, is now with the metallurgy division of the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.

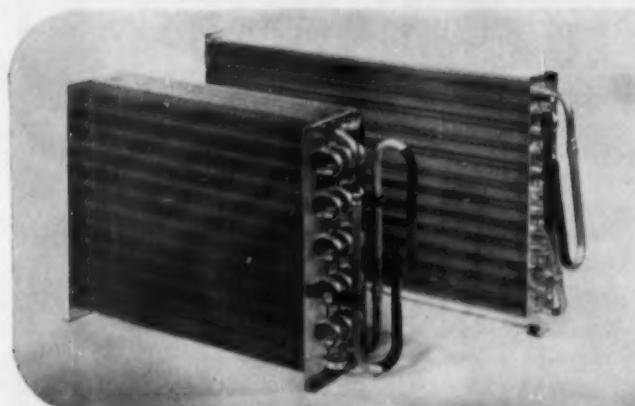


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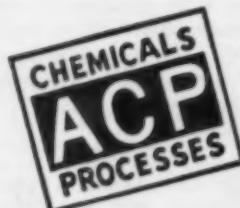
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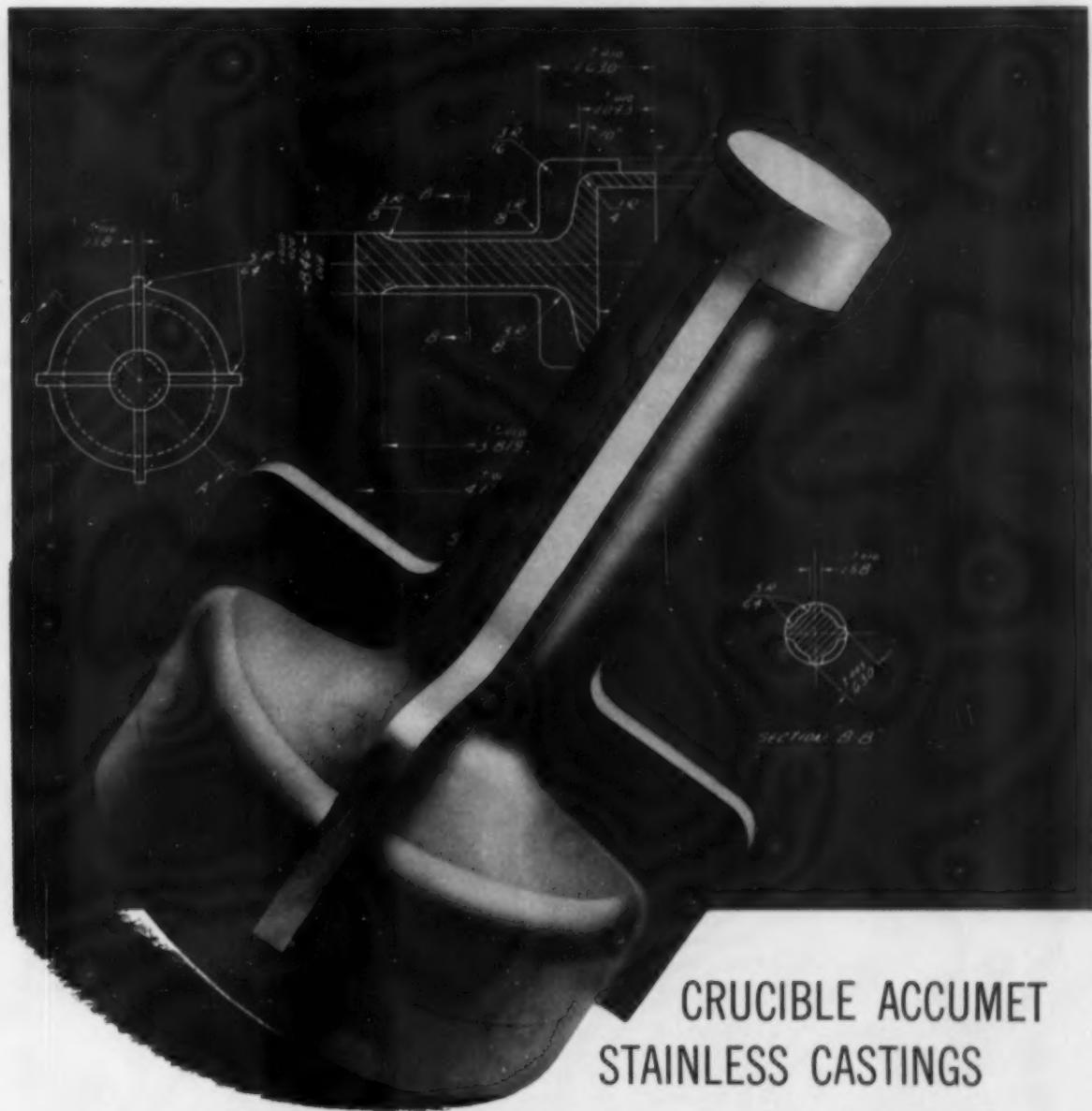
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The mechanical properties of cast and wrought material having the same composition and heat treatment are usually quite similar. The higher properties normally reported for wrought alloys generally represent tests taken in the direction of working and most often will be higher than for the castings; properties of wrought parts tested in the trans-

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*Digest of A.S.M. Lecture Course, "Why Castings", by Hans J. Heine, Technical Director, American Foundrymen's Society, presented before the Louisville, Ky., Chapter in March 1955.



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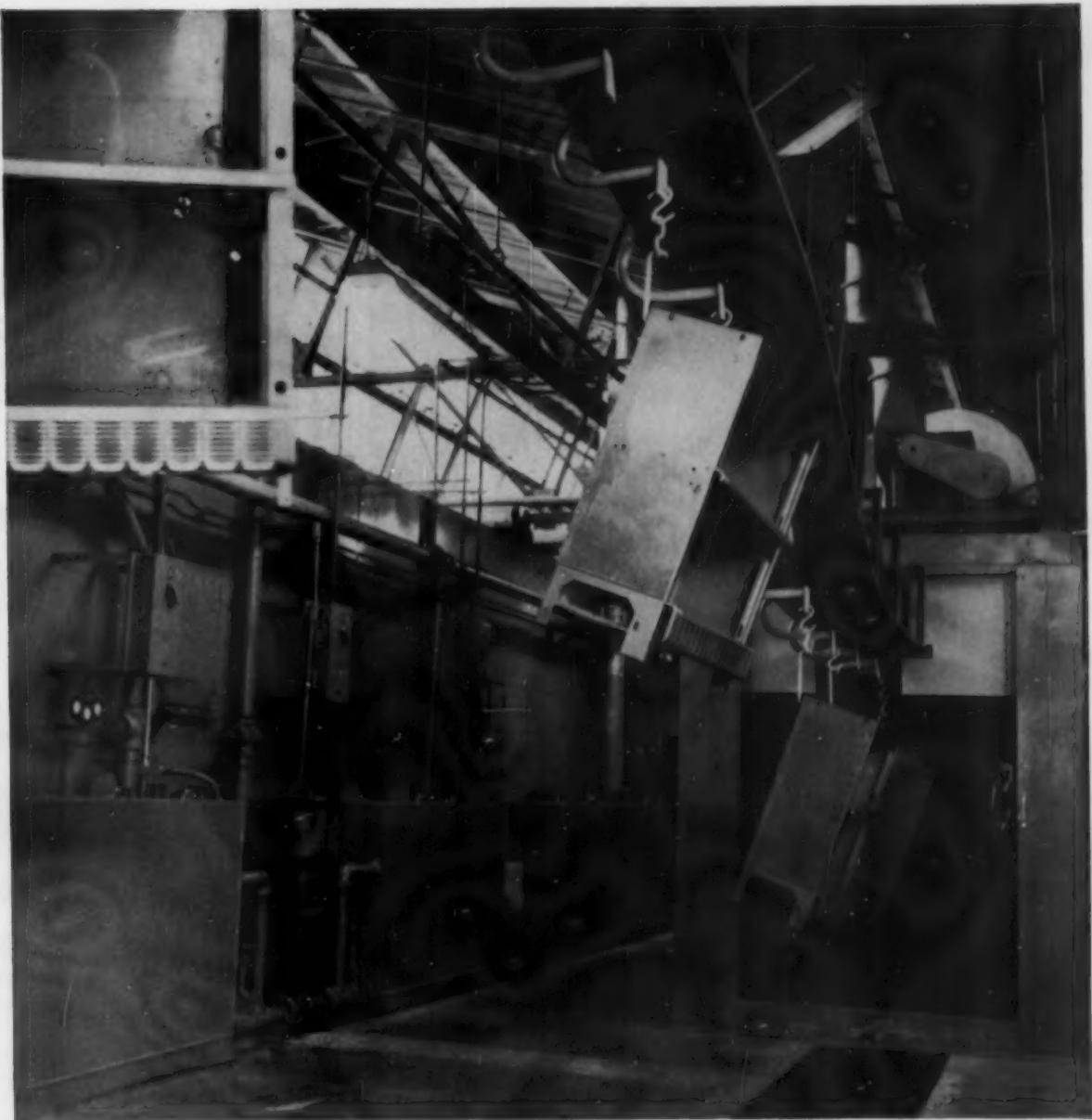
Casting Design . . .

verse direction will be lower than those of castings. This nondirectionality of the properties can be used to advantage in certain designs. Under favorable conditions, metal grains in castings crystallize with a minimum of restraint and are relatively free from residual stress so that the castings are dimensionally stable during machining or heating. Directionality of fiber structure is both an advantage and disadvantage of wrought alloys. If service loads can be directed favorably to the fiber, then the higher property values can be used. However, when loads are perpendicular to the fiber direction, then the lower properties are the limiting ones.

Casting alloys do not exhibit fiberizing or directionality of properties, except under unfavorable conditions of solidification. The nondirectional properties of castings are associated with the random distribution of metal crystals, dendrites, developed during freezing. Directionality of dendrites and the effect of fiberizing on properties can be obtained in an improperly designed casting. This condition can be prevented by good casting design.

The freezing rate or section size of the casting has an important bearing on grain size. Large castings and ingots freeze with coarse grains. Thin-section castings, or castings made in metal molds, have small grain on account of rapid freezing. Mechanical working of ingots assists in breaking up coarse grains and promoting a fine grain size. The grain refining action of mechanical working is considered beneficial because higher values of ductility and impact strength are obtained at a given tensile strength having a fine grain. However, many castings have grain sizes not greatly different from those of wrought alloys. Iron-base alloys in sections under 1 in. thick have the desirably small grain size necessary to develop good properties after heat treatment. Most nonferrous alloys retain the grain size developed during freezing of the casting. For this reason, chill castings, those alloys cast in metal or graphite molds, usually display better properties than the same alloys cast in sand. Thus, to make a true appraisal of

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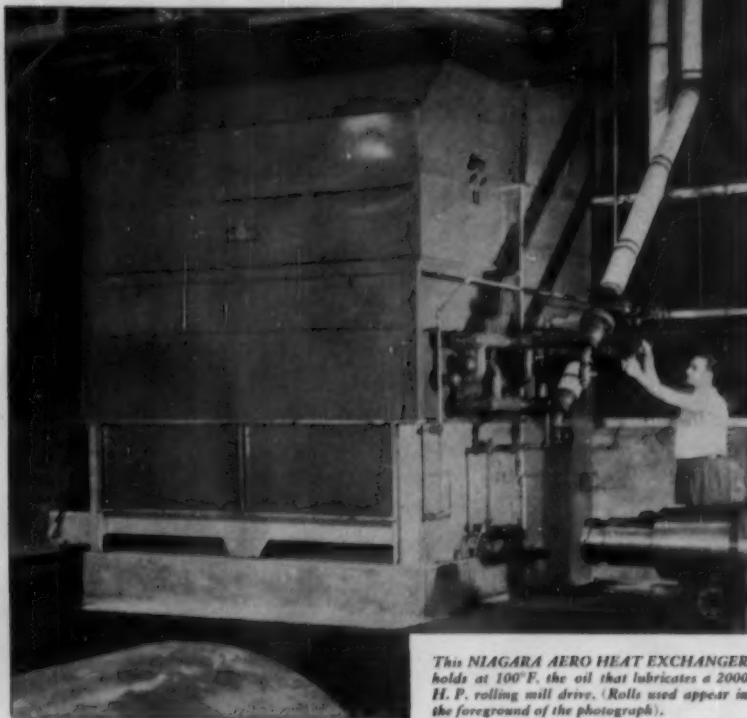
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property differences which might be caused by grain size differences in wrought and cast alloys, the effects of section size, casting process, heat treatment, chemical composition, and sensitivity of the particular alloy to grain size must be considered.

Alloy groups being used as castings include gray irons (plain and alloyed), malleable and pearlitic malleable irons, steels (carbon, alloy, heat and corrosion resistant), nodular irons, and among the nonferrous alloys those of aluminum, magnesium, copper, nickel, lead, tin, titanium and zinc.

J. P.

Workability of Chromium Alloys*

THE workability and ductility of pure chromium and chromium alloys containing 1 to 10% tungsten or 1 to 5% titanium were investigated. Ingots 2 in. long and $\frac{1}{4}$ in. diameter were prepared for these tests from electrolytic chromium containing 0.06% oxygen, 0.005% nitrogen, and no metallic impurities that could be detected spectrographically. The metal was arc melted in a water-cooled copper crucible under a purified argon atmosphere. Ingots prepared in this manner had large columnar grains with the longitudinal axis of the grains at right angles to the axis of the ingots. Electro-polished, longitudinal specimens taken from the pure chromium ingots were ductile when tested by bending, but transverse specimens were sometimes brittle.

Alloying additions of either tungsten or titanium did not effect any grain refinement in the resulting ingots. As-cast specimens containing up to 5% tungsten or up to 1% titanium were ductile, provided they were electropolished. The 10% tungsten alloy and the 5% titanium alloy were brittle in the as-cast condition.

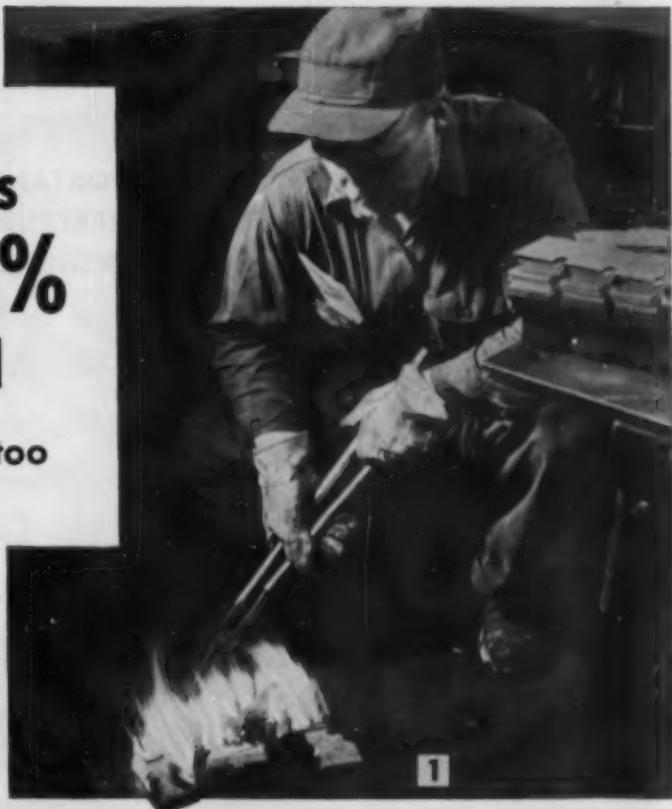
When forged in air, all ingots fractured before there was any app. (Continued on page 154)

*Digest of "The Fabrication of Chromium and Some Chromium-Base Alloys", by F. Henderson, S. T. Quass and H. L. Wain, *Journal of the Institute of Metals*, Vol. 83, 1954-1955, p. 126-132.

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preciable reduction in area. To prevent cracking, the ingots were sheathed in steel jackets, upset forged, and then draw forged. Sheathed ingots of pure chromium and of the 1% tungsten alloy could be forged at 1650° F. For the 1% titanium alloy and the 5% tungsten alloy, the forging temperature had to be increased to 2190° F. The sheath of mild steel was too plastic at this temperature and had to be replaced with an alloyed ferritic steel. The 5% titanium alloy and the 10% tungsten alloy could not be forged even at 2460° F. A borax salt bath at 2190° F. was satisfactory for heating and working unsheathed ingots of lower alloy content. Presumably, a lower bath temperature could be used with larger ingots because the small ingots lost temperature rapidly when they were removed from the bath.

The forging treatment refined the as-cast grain structure of the ingots but did not break up the oxide network around the grain boundaries. After removal of the surface by electropolishing, the forged specimens were ductile.

Forged billets of pure chromium and 1% tungsten alloy were swaged with further refinement of the grain size. To prevent cracking, the forged billets had to be ground and polished before they were resheathed in steel. A swaging temperature of 1650° F. and a reduction in area of 15% between passes were satisfactory. Electropolished swaged rod was ductile at room temperature and some specimens could be bent rapidly to 90° or twisted through 360°.

It was impossible to produce swaged rod directly from arc melted ingots because of severe cracking that occurred during the swaging operation. No attempt was made to swage the alloys containing 5 and 10% tungsten or 1 and 5% titanium.

Rolled strip was produced from both swaged rods and forged bars. As in the other working operations, it was necessary to sheath the chromium before it was rolled. For rolling, however, it was necessary to use a composite sheath of mild steel and stainless steel. The reason for the composite sheathing was that mild steel flowed much more easily than the chromium, and stainless steel

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bonded to the chromium and was impossible to separate from the finished strip. By placing mild steel between the chromium and the stainless steel, the sheath could be removed easily after rolling.

Pure chromium was rolled in the temperature range of 840 to 1650° F. After rolling, the strip was fine grained with the grains elongated in the direction of rolling. As the rolling temperature was decreased, the amount of grain elongation was increased. Annealing of the strip at 1650 to 1742° F. produced equiaxed grains.

In general, pure chromium was brittle after being removed from the sheath but was ductile if the outer layers were removed by pickling in a 50% solution of hydrochloric acid. To reduce embrittlement during rolling, the chromium was either plated with iron or copper before sheathing or sheathed under an atmosphere of argon. Iron plating was somewhat more effective than the other methods. Removal of 0.002 to 0.003 in. of metal from each surface was sufficient to restore ductility.

To determine the tensile properties of pure chromium strip, specimens $2.5 \times 0.175 \times 0.025$ in. were machined from rolled strip and tested at room temperature. The tensile properties of the more ductile specimens were as follows:

Proof strength, 0.2% 55,000 psi.

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The techniques used for rolling pure chromium were successful for rolling 1% tungsten alloy at 1650° F. The 5% tungsten alloy and the 1% titanium alloy could not be rolled at 1650° F. but could be rolled at 2190° F. At this temperature, however, a nickel-chromium-molybdenum ferritic steel had to be used for sheathing in place of mild steel. The 10% tungsten alloy and the 5% titanium alloy could not be rolled. As-cast chromium and chromium alloys also could not be rolled successfully.

This report reveals that pure chromium and chromium alloys can be hot worked if the material is initially of a high degree of purity and if impurity pickup during fabrication is reduced to a minimum.

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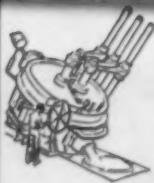
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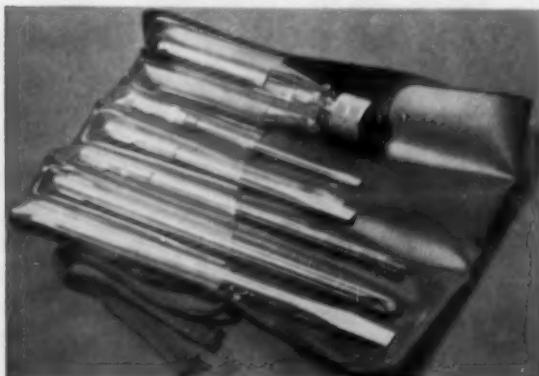
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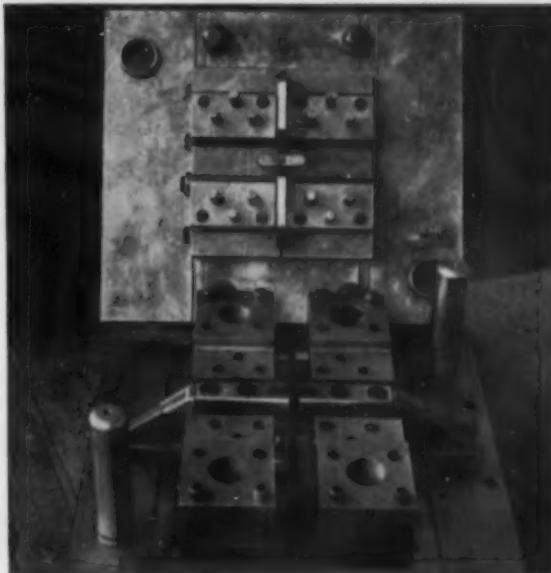
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1. Quench tools so that the internal surfaces of the tools harden completely. When holes are relatively large, no special attention may be necessary; for small holes, flush-quenching may be required.
2. If it is possible that effective quenching may not occur completely throughout the holes, pack them so that hardening cannot take place in the holes, assuming that this condition is allowed on the tool. Use clay, asbestos, steel wool or steel inserts.
3. If only the surface of a hole is to be hard, as on a ring die, flush-quench the bore while protecting the outside surface from the quench.

The internal surface of a hole should be either uniformly hard, or uniformly soft. The worst possible condition is an irregular hardness pattern on the inside surface, because the high stress developed may result in cracking.

Anodizing and Painting of Aluminum Alloys*

ALTHOUGH aluminum-magnesium silicide alloys of the H 10 type are now widely used in Great Britain for engineering purposes and in transportation, experimental data on the corrosion fatigue properties of this alloy are scanty. A series of fatigue and corrosion fatigue tests was made on a selected H 10 alloy (0.07 Cu, 0.20 Fe, 0.58 Mn, 0.61 Mg, 0.94% Si, trace Ti) in the unprotected, anodized and painted conditions in the following media: air, distilled water, 3% sodium chloride, Birmingham tap water (about 50 parts per million total dissolved solids) and metropolitan London tap water (360 ppm. total dissolved solids).

Endurance of H 10 Alloy at 10⁶ Cycles
(in Long Tons per Sq. In.)

SURFACE CONDITION	AIR	LONDON TAP WATER	3% SALT SOLUTION
Unprotected*	8.0	4.0	2.1
Anodized, water seal	7.0	7.0	6.0
Anodized, dichromate seal	7.0	6.0	6.6
Painted	9.0	—	8.8

*Endurance in distilled water 5.9 tons per sq. in.; in Birmingham tap water 4.2 tons per sq. in.

ham tap water (about 50 parts per million total dissolved solids) and metropolitan London tap water (360 ppm. total dissolved solids).

A direct chill cast billet of the alloy was heated to 930° F. and extruded to $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. diameter rods from which the test pieces were prepared. Prior to final machining, all test material was solution heat treated in a salt bath at 975° F. for $\frac{1}{2}$ hr., artificially aged at 320° F. for 18 hr. and air cooled. Results of tensile tests on specimens prepared in this way conformed to the usual specifications for this type of material.

Carefully machined and polished fatigue test specimens were anodized for 30 min. at 68° F. in 20% sulphuric acid. The two sealing procedures employed for the anodized specimens were 30 min. in boiling water for one group and 30 min. in boiling 5% potassium dichromate solution for the other. (REVIEWER'S NOTE: No statement is made as to the pH and purity of the sealing water. Both factors are known to be of importance in evaluating the corrosive behavior of anodized and sealed aluminum alloys.)

Additional machined and polished fatigue specimens were painted according to the following procedure:

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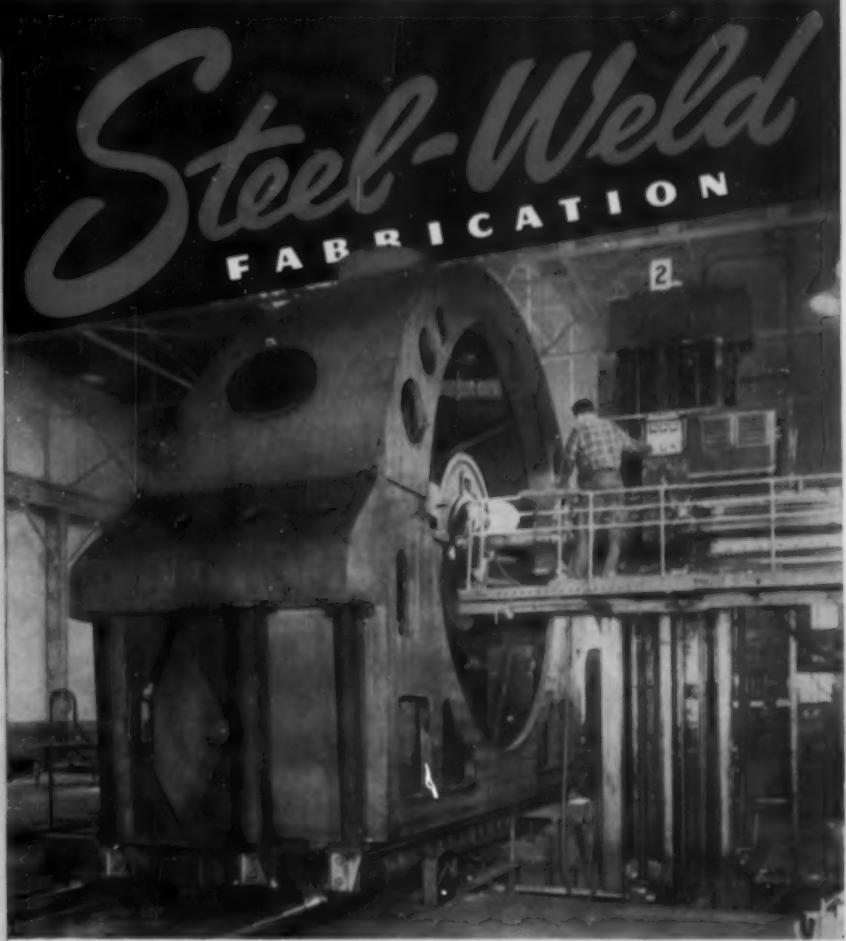
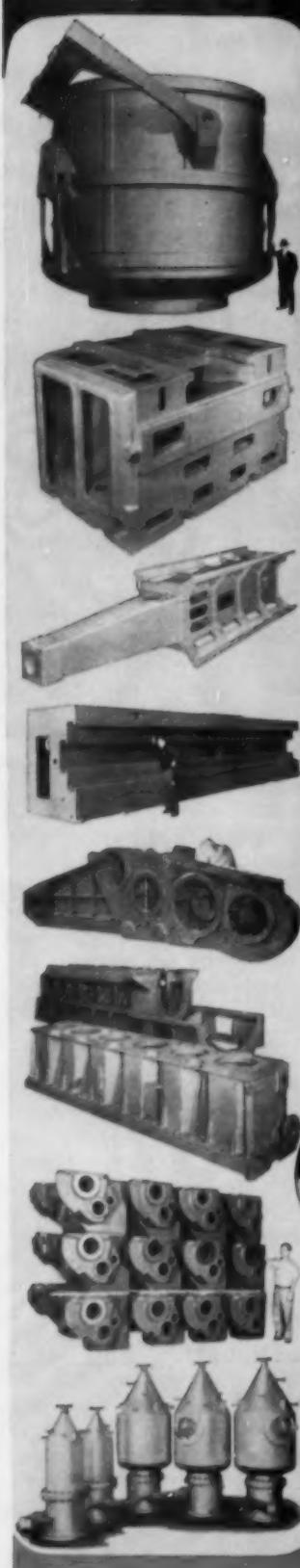
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Anodizing . . .

(The curing schedule is not reported.)

Fatigue testing was done in a rotating (5000 rpm.) cantilever-type machine with the load arranged to produce a uniform bending moment over the reduced parallel portion of the specimen. For tests under corrosive conditions, the corrosive medium was dropped continuously on

the reduced parallel portion of the specimen at a rate of approximately one drop per second.

S-N curves are given for all surface conditions tested in air and in the four corrosive media. Significant losses in endurance strength occur in corrosive media in a relatively small number of cycles; for example, 10^6 . All curves continue to fall quite steeply even after 10^8 cycles and therefore it was impossible to obtain a value for endurance strength in-

dependent of the number of stress reversals. Accordingly, comparison between different surface conditions and corrosive media is based on the endurance strength values at 10^8 cycles. The tabulation at top of p. 158 gives the approximate endurance strength in long tons (2240 lb.) per square inch at 10^8 cycles for the various surface conditions and test media.

There is a serious drop in endurance strength of unprotected material when exposed to any of the corrosive media. The slightly better performance in air of the painted specimens, as compared with the unprotected specimens, is taken as an indication of slightly corroding influences under atmospheric conditions. The value of anodizing as a protection against corrosion fatigue is evident, with both methods of sealing having approximately equal value.

The finding that anodizing causes a loss of fatigue strength in air agrees with several previous investigations. Microscopic examination revealed small surface defects in the anodic coatings, which were presumed to act as stress-raisers under the test conditions.

Detailed microscopic examination was performed on at least one failed specimen from each of the 13 test conditions. In general, fracture took place at right angles to the axis of the specimen. All fractures, irrespective of corrosive medium, were predominantly transcrystalline in character. This was somewhat in contrast with the intercrystalline character of the ordinary corrosion which takes place in H 10 alloys. These results are interpreted as supporting the view that the role of a corrosive agent in corrosion fatigue is to form a pit which acts as a stress-raiser with the resulting increase in stress causing a continuous mutual intensification of pit deepening and stress increase.

The conclusions are:

1. The fatigue strength of a heat treated H 10 alloy is greatly reduced by mild corrosive agents such as distilled water and normal tap waters.
2. The reduction in fatigue strength in a severe corrosive agent, such as 3% salt, is even more pronounced.
3. Anodizing affords considerable protection against corrosion fatigue.

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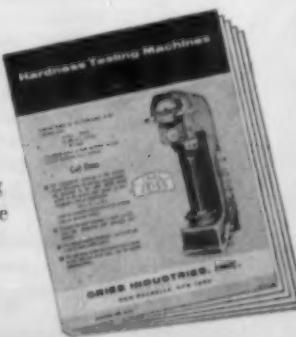
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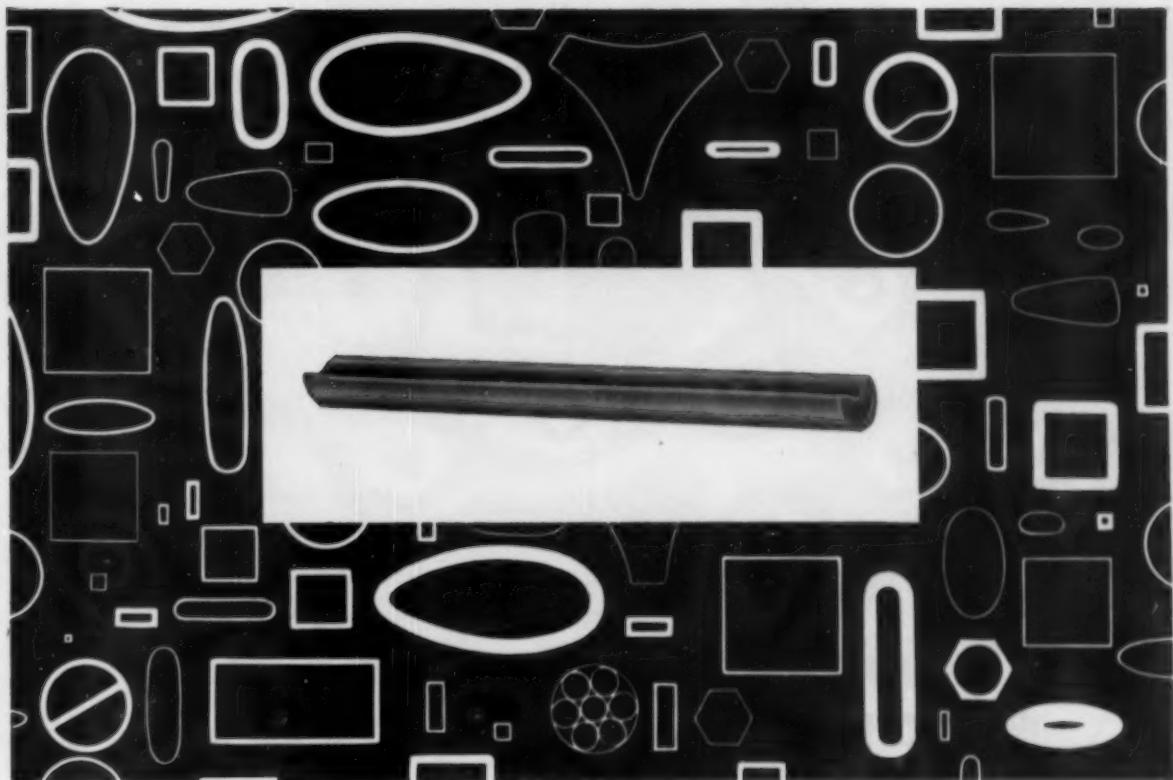
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tigue. However the fatigue strength in air of anodized material is somewhat less than that of unprotected material.

4. Careful painting gives extremely effective protection against even the most severe corrosion fatigue conditions.

5. All fatigue cracks are predominantly transcrystalline, and the type of cracking and general mode of failure are not affected by the corroding medium.

REVIEWER'S NOTE: The spread in

replicate data in this kind of work is frequently as much as 10%. The authors did not indicate the number of samples taken for each point given in the S-N curves. Only for the curves drawn for the unprotected condition is there a clear demonstration of the differences in results for each environment. For the other surface conditions, the differences for the various environments are no greater than might be expected from normal statistical scatter. This is not meant to question the authors' general conclusions, which appear quite valid.

G. H. KISSIN

Taphole Clays*

THE TYPES of materials used as taphole filling and the properties of 12 commercial clays mixed with varying amounts of coal, silica, and grog were studied in this investigation. Following the laboratory studies, mixtures were tried in the iron tapholes of three operating blast furnaces to assess their value.

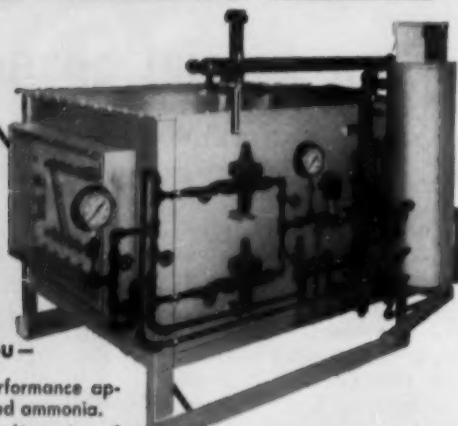
The English, apparently, prefer a mixture of about 40 to 50% grog with 50% plastic clay to which varying amounts of high-ash coal (20%) are added. Grog is usually ground, broken firebrick but crushed ganister may be substituted. Chemical analyses of the 12 clay-grog mixtures showed a wide variation in composition. Silica content varied between 39 and 64%; alumina between 3.8 and 28.0%, but was usually about 25%; Fe_2O_3 between 2 and 6%; lime and magnesia under 10% each; loss on ignition between 6 and 24%. These analyses are taken of the clay-grog mixture before the coal addition. All of these mixtures gave satisfactory results in actual operations, indicating that composition is not significant.

Drying and firing shrinkage were determined by measuring the change in length of dried or fired bars whose original dimensions were 4 in. long, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide and 1 in. thick. Green-strength tests were made on bars dried at 230° F. The moisture content varied between 12 and 20%; dry shrinkage between 1 and 5%; green strength between 55 and 254 psi. The shrinkage on firing dried test pieces at 2030° F. was very slight, ranging between 1 and 3%. The apparent porosity after firing at 2030° F. varied from 24 to 53%, but most of the samples had a porosity of about 30%. The highest porosity occurred in the mixture with the lowest silica content (39.8%) and highest alumina (28%). The refractoriness of the mixture, called "squatting" tests by the authors, varied between 2550 and 3040° F. The mixture with the lowest "squatting" temperature contained the highest amount of Fe_2O_3 (5.62%) and alkalis (3.8%). The highest "squatting" temperature (3020° F.) was record-

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ed on the mixture with lowest silica (39.8%) and highest alumina (28%); apparently a higher content of mullite would result on firing this sample.

Two series of tests were made to determine the resistance of the clay mixtures to the corrosive action of a typical English blast-furnace slag. The analysis of the slag was 30% SiO_2 ; 20.7 Al_2O_3 , 1.5 MnO , 39.5

CaO , 6.8 MgO , 1.9 S and 0.6% FeO . The first tests on slag action consisted of molding a 3-in. cubic block of the clay mixture, drilling a 1-in. diameter hole 1 in. deep in this block, filling the hole with crushed slag and then firing the assembly at 2190° F. There was practically no attack by the slag on the clay mixture at this temperature. A second test was made by mixing 20% and 40% of the ground slag with each clay mixture and then firing the cones to determine the temperature

of initial deformation of the cones. For the 20% slag mixture, the "squatting" temperature varied between 2190 and 2550° F., and for the 40% slag mixture between 2120 and 2440° F. These cones had a softening temperature that was 360 to 540° F. lower than that given previously for the clay mixture containing no slag. The low-silica (40%), high-alumina (28%) clay again showed the highest temperature at which deformation of the cone occurred.

Bar specimens $4 \times 1 \times \frac{1}{2}$ in. were molded of each clay with 0, 10, 20, and 30% of fine coal for studies of the effect of these coal additions. Drying shrinkage of each bar was measured and then the bars were fired for 2 hr. at 1110, 1470, 1830 and 2190° F. in an atmosphere of nitrogen. After each firing the loss in weight, shrinkage, and apparent porosity were measured. The volume of each specimen remained nearly constant for firing temperatures up to 1470° F., but above 1650° F. the shrinkage increased for clays with the higher coal additions. Up to 1470° F. shrinkage varied between 0.7 and 1.5%; at 2190° F. between 3.8 and 5.9%; at 2550° F. between 9 and 13%. The porosity increased for each mixture up to a maximum of 1830° F., the higher coal contents causing the greatest increase. At this temperature the mixture with no coal showed 32% porosity which increased to 38% with 30% coal. Above 1830° F. porosity decreased rapidly with increasing temperature as vitrification set in. At 2550° F. all samples showed less than 27% porosity.

Following these extensive studies at the laboratories of the British Ceramic Research Assoc., actual tests of clay-grog-coal mixtures were tried on two blast furnaces. The thickness of the furnace wall was about 4 ft. and to fill a hole of this depth requires 4 to 5 cu. ft. of clay. Using one of the clay mixtures containing either 10 or 20% coal, studies were made of the performance of the clay in the blast furnace. The most interesting results developed from measurements of taphole temperatures by inserting thermocouples to various depths and by drilling core samples for analysis and X-ray studies of the minerals present at various depths.

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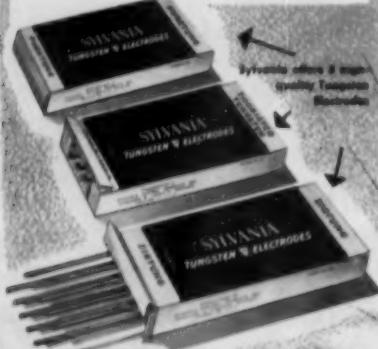
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Poor Penetration

Use higher current
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The temperature gradient in a 4-ft. long taphole showed a maximum temperature of 1110° F. at 3 ft., 6 in. from the furnace shell, 1110 to 1830° F. in the next 3 in., and up to 2730° F. for the remaining 3 in. In the coolest zone drying shrinkage is the important property of the clay mixture, and in the intermediate zone firing shrinkage is most important. The hottest zone consisted of vitrified clay and then a mixture of iron and clay containing silica, iron, cementite, iron phosphide, and mullite.

At the interface a small amount of ferrous silicate was present and iron phosphide had penetrated the porous vitrified clay surface. The samples nearest to the molten iron consisted mostly of quartz, mullite and cristobalite. The original mineral kaolinite was identified in samples only 2 to 3 in. back of the interface, indicating that the temperature here was not high enough for vitrification of the clay mixture. Because no lime was found, it was assumed that slag did not attack the taphole clay.

Conclusions

1. Although the chemical composition of the taphole clay mixture may vary, its drying shrinkage should be low.

2. The use of a powerful taphole gun is essential.

3. The maximum percentage of fireclay in a grog-clay or in a ganister-clay mixture will depend on the plasticity and particle size of the particular clay, and on the strength of the taphole gun. A strong gun may force a mixture of low clay content into the hole but more clay will be needed with a weaker gun.

4. The addition of coal facilitates drying of the mixture between casts and the drilling of the hole because it increases the porosity of a dry or fired clay-grog mixture. (If too much coal is used a weak hole will result.)

5. Although no marked chemical attack between molten metal and the taphole mixtures was observed, slag will react with fireclay and grog. To keep this slag attack at a minimum, it is important to use only a small volume of roughing slag in the mixture. Also, the mixture should contain a refractory grog.

E. C. WRIGHT

Powder Metallurgy for Atomic Engineers*

After giving a simplified account of how a nuclear power reactor can be constructed, the authors note that it involves several major problems due to the facts that the interval temperature of the fuel elements will be as high as 1300° F., that the coolant or heat transport medium (helium, argon, liquid sodium, pressurized water or whatever) must not pick up particles of fuel or corrode the external piping system or the heat exchanger, and that the materials of reactor construction will suffer from intense neutron bombardment. Much study on the latter problem indicates that the metals generally increase in yield strength (and hardness of annealed metal) due to disorganization of the crystalline lattice and even the creation by transmutation of atoms of new alloying metals.

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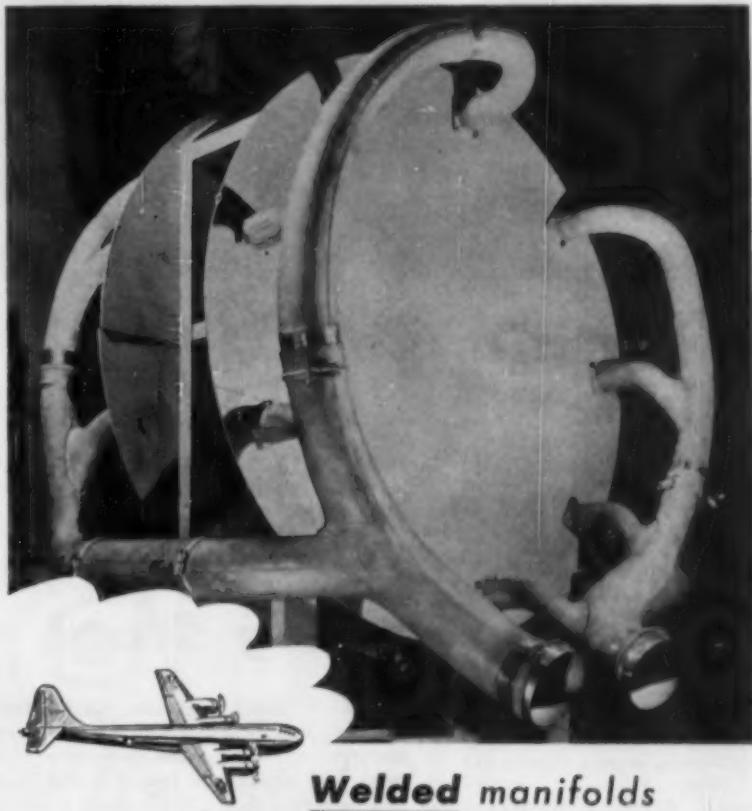
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Powder Metallurgy . . .

ing, a large number of nuclei for recrystallization are formed, which leads, in a general way, to small grain sizes. The voids also act in a manner similar to impurities in hindering or delaying grain growth during sintering — especially during the earlier stages. In the end, both the cold work and the voids cause powder metallurgy products to possess smaller grains in the structure.

Alloying by powder metallurgy is an especially good way to avoid segregation in alloys between very heavy and very light metals. Furthermore, since sintering temperatures are below melting temperatures, there is far less chance of contamination from containers or from atmospheres. Metals of controlled porosity can also obviously be so made. Finally, useful mixtures of metals and nonmetals (cermets) can only be made from powder mixtures.

Bonding for heat transfer purposes is especially necessary for fuel elements, which must be clad with a protective metal, and this must be well bonded in order to transfer the heat generated internally. Powder metallurgy offers some advantages in this respect. Diffusion of one metal into another requires high temperature or long time; to lower the diffusion temperature or decrease the diffusion time, the metals should have high surface activity, which usually exists in metal powder particles in comparison with cast or forged metallic bodies.

Fabrication of the "new" metals relies much on powder metallurgy. Of these, uranium and thorium are fuel materials; beryllium is an excellent moderator; and zirconium can be used as a noncorrosive cladding material. Beryllium is brittle and can be ground into powder. It must be sintered in a nonoxidizing atmosphere such as argon or vacuum. The argon sinters are brittle; vacuum-sintered metal shows some ductility, inasmuch as it can be cold rolled approximately 10%, annealed, and again cold rolled. This fact can be explained by the evaporation of beryllium, which starts at fairly low temperatures and acts as an additional sintering mechanism, giving grains of favorable size and shape.

Uranium, thorium and zirconium
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are not brittle and cannot be ground so easily; however, they form brittle hydrides. Decomposition of these hydride powders occurs in vacuo at elevated temperatures, and the metal powders formed in this way are applicable to any powder metallurgical process. Zirconium indeed has been found to be an almost ideal material for powder metallurgy, inasmuch as it sinters to high density at temperatures far below its melting point. Thorium also densifies at fairly low temperatures.

Handling of these powders is not as easy as ordinary metal powder. Beryllium, in powder form, is highly toxic; zirconium, in fine particle sizes, is highly pyrophoric; and the powders of uranium and thorium are both toxic and pyrophoric. They must be handled with greatest care in special equipment. E. E. T.

Correspondence . . .

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sponsored by N.P.A. Metal Working Div., both issued March 13, 1952, reflected the results of this close co-operation. Within months the pressure was relieved, and of actually required supplies, only those backlog of orders existed which are to be found at normal times in every active industry.

This statement on the present situation is made as a result of studies and analyses of reports. Some two or three of the many substitute methods for machining of the hard carbide materials can be used effectively, within limits, in certain partial phases of mechanical production. Improvement in these processes can be expected. But much of the processing that has required industrial diamonds will continue to require industrial diamonds. At best, substitute methods still would be substitutes and costly to use.

The use of the supplementary aid to machining mentioned above together with the Government stockpile, and a supply of industrial diamonds and tools always in the hands of the various branches of the industry, would provide all American industry requirements for a long period. It then only would be necessary in a time of national emergency

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to quickly resume the same moderate controls as were established by N. P. A. Order M-102 and M-103 "during Korea". At that time not one wheel in industry failed to turn for lack of industrial diamonds.

In addition to the above, it appears advisable again to add that this Association and its members constantly are working to inform users of industrial diamonds of the methods that prolong the life of diamond tools, and that diamond tool producers will continue to make their products more efficient and more durable. These activities and the reclamation of diamond material from used tools are tantamount to stretching the supply even beyond the safety limits which already will have been pushed back, in times of emergency, by the methods described in the preceding paragraphs.

In view of the frequent repetition of a theme by writers whose error, from a perusal of the above, is easy to understand, this critical industry risks severe damage. It is earnestly hoped that your magazine will place before the public the viewpoint of the industrial diamond industry as expressed by this Association. Thereby there might be some mitigation of the trouble caused by articles similar to the one that appeared in your December issue.

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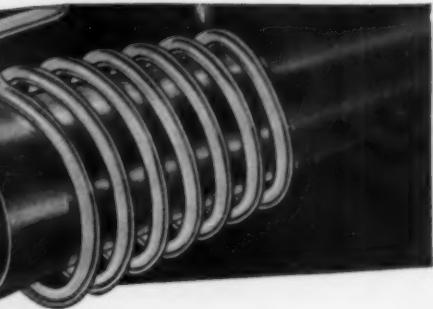
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Cathodic Protection . . .

the entire steel hull is a relatively recent development. Magnesium galvanic anodes have been favored in recent years as being more satisfactory than zinc for ship protection. However, zinc is still a competitive product when it is of the right grade and correctly used.

The purity of zinc used in anodes affects their performance in sea water. Anodes of ordinary grades of zinc will at first discharge current and provide protection but as the current discharge consumes the zinc, it becomes covered with a dense corrosion product that prevents the flow of current and the anode becomes ineffective until the corrosion products are scraped away. If the zinc anodes are of Special High Grade zinc with the iron content, particularly, not above 0.0015%, they will give satisfactory protection, since corrosion products that form are porous and of sufficiently low electrical resistivity to cause no appreciable reduction of current output during their service.

In ship protection service, zinc anodes are used to protect the painted hull plates, propellers, condenser water boxes, salt-water tanks, and similar applications. In the protection of painted steel surfaces, it is important to avoid excessive cathodic potentials, otherwise blisters may form in the paint film. Zinc is well suited in this respect since the protective potentials are inherently limited to values that can be tolerated by ship paints.

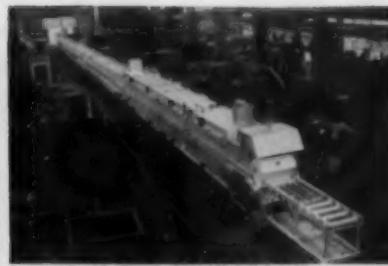
According to the speaker the potential use of zinc anodes for ship protection is large and has not been completely developed. The biggest factor working against zinc is the record of spotty past performance because impure metal and inadequate installation methods were often employed.

Although the answers to most difficulties — such as obtaining good electrical contact between structure and anode, placement of anodes, and amount of current impressed on them — are now known, intensive re-education of the shipping industry will be required if zinc is to maintain its competitive position in this application.

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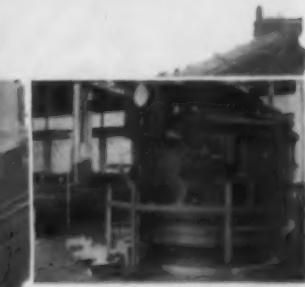


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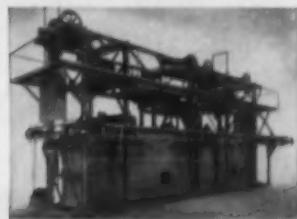
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Cathodic Protection . . .

nals such as steel piers, sheet steel piling and piping—all subject to severe corrosion, especially in sea water—are other marine applications of zinc galvanic anodes. A recent example is a pier on steel piling in sea water given cathodic protection with 101 zinc anodes each weighing 250 lb. (a total of over 12% tons of zinc) and with each discharging approximately 1½ amp. The anode contained impurities of 0.001% each of lead, iron and cadmium, or a zinc purity of 99.997%. This is the first known application in which provisions for cathodic protection were included in the original design for a new pier.

The useful life of the zinc anodes on the pier is expected to be approximately 8 years. At the end of this period, the anodes can be readily replaced and the protection system will continue unimpaired. The initial 12% tons of zinc installed in anode form is equivalent to galvanizing the 60,000 sq. ft. of submerged steel with a coating of about 7 oz. per sq. ft. of surface. The builders of the pier determined that rather than paint the steel to limit the amount of cathodic protection current it was more economical to leave the steel bare and apply additional cathodic protection.

Fresh water storage tanks can sometimes be very effectively protected with zinc anodes. The level of protection afforded by zinc is particularly beneficial when used in fresh water tanks having painted interior surfaces. Cathodic protection has been used on transmission and distribution piping systems for only a relatively few years, the first extensive use being in 1935. The use of zinc for this application has expanded with the development of backfills that keep the zinc active and with the finding that high purity zinc (Special High Grade) must be used to get consistent results in soil. Zinc has been found to be particularly applicable in low-resistivity soils for bare and coated pipes. It can also be used to good advantage on well-coated piping in high resistivity since the pipe will assume practically the same electrical potential as that of zinc and very little current output will be required from the zinc to maintain potential.

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THE AUTHOR begins with a fairly detailed discussion of the metal flow patterns in direct and indirect extrusion using examples from Pearson's "Extrusion of Metals" (Chapman & Hall, London) and other published work, supplemented by several original photographs of etched sections of partly extruded aluminum billets. According to Locke, the most common type of flow in extrusion of hard metals (aluminum included) is characterized by a large volume of "dead" metal left around the mouth of the die and along the container wall. One reason for that is the high coefficient of friction in working aluminum alloys which generally enforces complete shear between the inside of the billet and its skin. Also, especially with ferrous metals and copper alloys, the difference of temperature between billet and container is a major factor in promoting skin shear. A duplex structure is associated with this type of deformation, consisting of a heavily worked, structureless outer layer surrounding a core of "fibrous" material. The heavily sheared metal flows into the extrusion along the dead metal in the annular corner zone.

Temperature is a most important factor in extrusion, but the actual temperatures of the billet and of the issuing section may be quite different. Intense heat is developed by friction and deformation work and its redistribution is complex. Depending on the existing temperatures and the rate of extrusion, the emerging metal may be recrystallized completely, partly, or not at all. The rate of recrystallization is small relative to the commercially employed extrusion speeds, and the outer skin may consist of what is in effect cold worked metal. Depending on working conditions, this residual cold work may be equivalent to the critical strain, and the area may subsequently recrystallize with a large grain.

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*Digest of "Exaggerated Grain Growth in Extrusions", by D. H. Locke, *Metalurgia*, Vol. 50, December 1954, p. 268-275.

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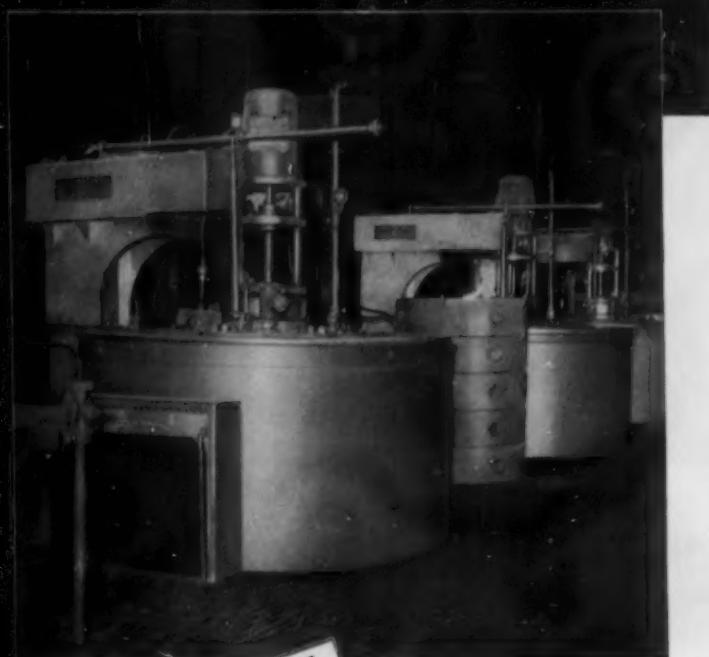
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The practical methods suggested to eliminate the excessive grain growth were based on the following ideas:

1. To promote ready recrystallization throughout the bar during or after extrusion.
2. To reduce the strain effects below that of the critical value.

3. To extrude (aluminum alloys) at the solution temperature and to quench at the die, so that the metal is held at temperature only a short time after straining and there is not enough time for recrystallization to occur.

The first method is easy to put into practice, except with heat treatable alloys having high recrystallization temperatures. The second has the advantage of producing a pronounced fiber structure associated with high strength in the longitudinal direction. The third method has been employed in England on alloys having nearly the same temperatures for solution treatment and extrusion (Al-Mg-Si and Al-Zn-Mg types). With the duralumin type of alloy, the heat treatment temperature is some 100° F. above the extrusion temperature, and this method is not practical. In Germany, this difficulty was obviated by installing a furnace behind the die to heat the metal to the correct quenching temperature immediately after it leaves the die; however, this does not eliminate the possibility of exaggerated grain growth.

Alloying with manganese, chromium or zirconium raises the recrystallization temperature and it appears that this method is of sufficient promise to warrant a careful study. Another means of combatting grain growth in the outer zone is to reduce the degree of plastic shear by diminishing the friction between the billet and container. Reference is made here to the French patent covering glass lubrication in hot extrusion of steel (see "Considerations for Selecting Steel Extrusions", *Metal Progress* for April 1955, p. 91), to phosphate coating, and to sheathing the billet with pure aluminum or with Al + 1% Zn and Mg + 1.5% Mn alloy jackets.

It is also feasible to extrude at very low temperature, thereby inducing considerable cold work in the

extrusion and so produce a fine grain after heat treatment. This, of course, will require high extrusion pressures and may be impractical. A final suggestion involves the application of a pressure pad with a large clearance. However, the discard would be up to 25% of the billet weight.

The author concludes with a statement that nearly all of the practical remedies advocated are open to criticism. He suggests that progress may result from fundamental studies of the relationship between strain, texture, structure, and grain growth, following the ideas of Hardy and Gow (*Acta Metallurgica*, Vol. 2, May 1954, p. 394).

N. H. POLAKOWSKI

Fatigue Strength of an Anodized Aluminum Alloy*

WROUGHT $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. round bars of an aluminum alloy, conforming to the specification 3.5 to 4.8% Cu, 1.5% max. Si, 0.3 to 0.6% Mg, 0.4 to 1.2% Mn, 1.0% max. Fe, 0.3% max. Ti, were tested in fatigue after the application of hard wear resistant anodic coatings about 0.001 and 0.002 in. thick respectively, as well as in the uncoated condition. The tests were made by the Wöhler rotating cantilever method, using specimens polished lengthwise by hand, cleaned, and protected against corrosion until anodized. In anodizing, 10% (by volume) sulphuric acid was used with 0.3 amp. per sq.in. at -4 to 0° C. for 20 min. to produce 0.001-in. coatings, and 40 min. for 0.002-in. coatings. This treatment increased the roughness of the surface from 3 or 4 micro-inches to between 50 and 55 μ in., and increased the diameter by about 60% of the coating thickness.

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*Digest of "The Effect of Hard Anodic Coatings on the Fatigue Strength of D.T.D. 364 B Aluminum Alloy", by E. G. Savage, E. G. F. Sampson and J. K. Curran, Technical Note No. MET 200, June 1954, Royal Aircraft Establishment, Ministry of Supply, London, W.C.2. (Available on loan from National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Washington 25, D.C.)

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Reducing the current density toward the end of the anodic treatment might produce a softer coating at the alloy surface and thus reduce the impairment of the fatigue strength, without loss of the desired hardness of the outer oxide surface. It is proposed to determine the value of this suggestion.

G. F. COMSTOCK

Graphitization of Steel*

THE NUCLEATION and growth of graphite at 1220° F. was studied in a number of steels. Although this subject has had extensive study in America, the British approached the problem from a new standpoint and the results reported throw additional new light on the mechanism of graphite formation in steels exposed to service conditions below the critical temperature (1330° F.).

Initial work involved a survey of graphite appearance in six steels containing 0.53 to 1.26% carbon heated to 1220° F. in a vacuum. Silicon varied from 0.06 to 0.26%; aluminum from 0.011 to 0.34%; other elements were below 0.06%. Speci-

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*Digest of "The Graphitization of Steel at Subcritical Temperature", by R. H. Hickey and A. G. Quarrell, *Journal of the Iron and Steel Institute*, Vol. 178, December 1954, p 337-346.

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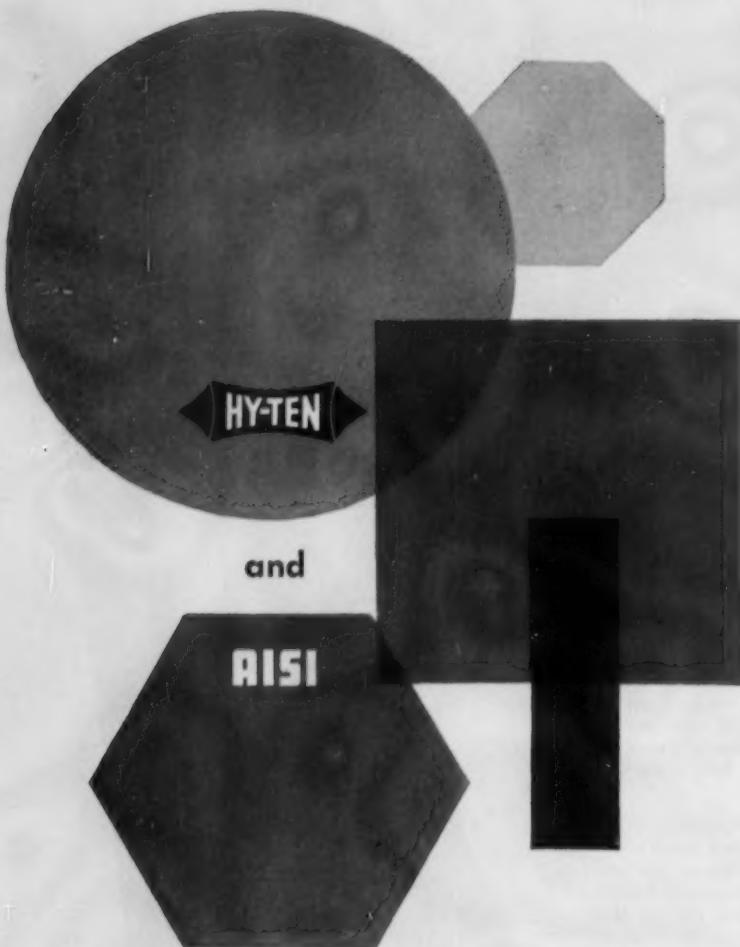
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mens 0.1 in. square by 1 in. long were heated to 1740° F. in vacuum and quenched to martensite before reheating to 1220° F. in vacuum for periods of 11 to 20 days; heating was done in evacuated and sealed silica tubes $\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter. After this test only two of the samples exhibited a slight trace of graphite. These results are greatly different from American results on similar steels when heating was done in air.

Five of these same steels were treated as before by quenching from 1740° F. to martensite; five other samples were annealed in vacuo at 1740° F. and cold worked to an 80% reduction in thickness. These specimens were then heated in vacuum for 3 months. Under these conditions the amount of graphitization varied from 0 to 95% in the quenched samples and 0 to 90% in the cold worked samples. The degree of graphitization was determined by a modified Eggertz method, in which the decarburized surface was machined off and a 0.2-g. sample was dissolved in cold nitric acid (1.2 specific gravity). The solution was then heated in a boiling water bath for 10 min., rapidly cooled, and filtered. Examination of the clear solution in a photometric absorptiometer gives the combined carbon within $\pm 0.015\%$ C, whence the graphitic carbon is determined by difference.

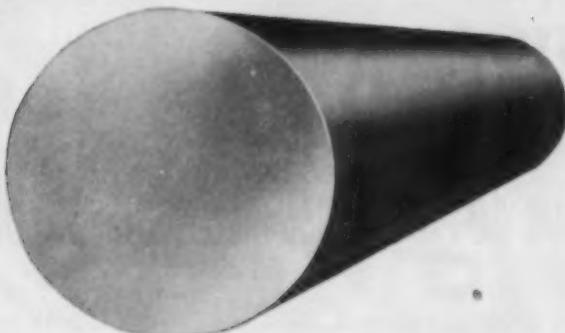
The considerable difference in the amount of graphite formed by heating in vacuum as compared to the larger amount reported by other investigators for heating in air or molten lead caused the authors to heat two of these five steels for 20 days in molten lead at 1220° F. One of the samples showed as much graphite in 20 days in molten lead as it had after 3 months in vacuum. The other sample, which had not exhibited any graphite in any previous test in vacuum, also contained no graphite after 20 days in molten lead. This steel was not deoxidized; silicon content was 0.05%, aluminum was 0.011%.

A further survey of the effect of atmosphere on the rate of graphitization was made by heating the same five steels for 20 hr. at 1220° F. in five different atmospheres; namely,

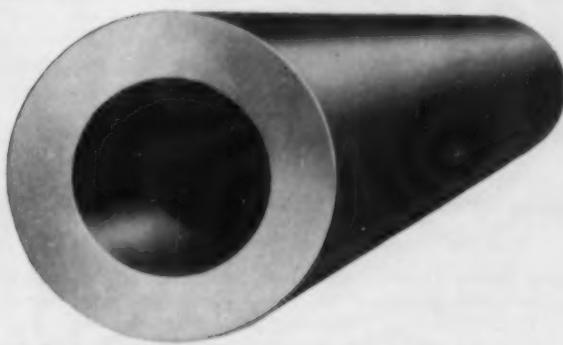
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oxygen partial pressure of 0.20, 0.50, 7.10, 15.9, and 75 cm. In these tests the rate of graphite formation was at a minimum for the lowest partial oxygen pressure. Two samples with very low contents of aluminum and silicon were not affected by the amount of oxygen pressure. Steels with more aluminum and silicon (over 0.04 and 0.15% respectively), which graphitized more readily in vacuum, showed rapid graphite formation in 2 to 8 days at all partial pressures of oxygen. These results indicate a definite relation between the amount of silicon and aluminum in steel and oxygen in the furnace atmosphere. The more rapid rate of graphitization in atmospheres containing oxygen and the increased amount of nucleation of graphite led to the conclusion that some foreign nuclei were forming in the steels in the presence of oxygen.

Since both aluminum and silicon have long been known to promote graphitization, four steels containing 0.85% carbon, less than 0.08% silicon, and 0.072, 0.24, 0.79, and 2.35% aluminum were melted in 15-lb. ingots in a high-frequency furnace. One iron-carbon alloy containing no aluminum or silicon was also made by soaking pure iron rods at 1725° F. in an atmosphere of hydrogen and methane. Three additional heats containing no aluminum, 0.86% carbon, and silicon varying as 0.41, 0.83, and 1.64% were also melted in the high-frequency furnace. These eight specimens were then exposed at 1220° F. in oxygen atmospheres with partial oxygen pressures of 0.2, 0.5, 7.1, 15.9, 75 cm., as before.

Under these test conditions graphitization started within 3 hr. in some samples and was almost complete in all samples in 2 days. The results show that at the 0.10% level aluminum is much more potent than silicon in causing graphitization but, for concentrations of about 1.0%, aluminum is only about three times more effective than silicon. In these tests the greater the rate of graphitization the more numerous are the graphite nuclei observed in the microscope. Excellent micrographs of the distribution and size of graphite formed under various test cycles are contained in the paper. Additional tests

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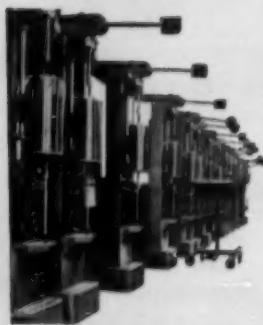


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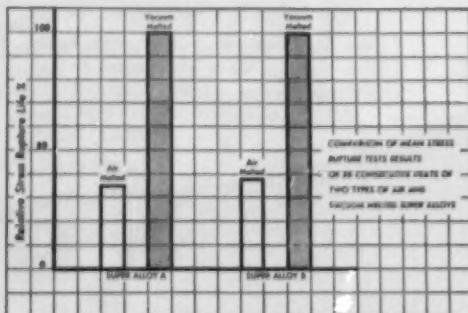
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An extended discussion based on work by Mehl and Zener of both the rate of nucleation and rate of growth of graphite particle size follows. Mathematical expressions for the rate of graphitization and rate of growth of graphite particles as affected by the variables temperature and time are given and discussed in considerable detail.

Conclusions—Studies of graphitization at 1220° F. of 15 plain carbon steels, four high-carbon aluminum steels, three high-carbon silicon steels, and a pure iron-carbon alloy show that graphitization is much slower when the treatment is given in vacuum than if oxygen is present. The more stable steels are sensitive to the partial pressure of oxygen in the atmosphere prevailing during subcritical treatment. The effect of variation in this pressure, in the range 0.2 to 75 cm., is less with increased instability of the steel, and is negligible for the most unstable steels studied. If a steel is quenched to martensite before treatment at 1220° F. it graphitizes much more readily than if previously annealed; cold working as a pretreatment produces an intermediate effect. The presence of metallic aluminum in steels in small quantities, or of silicon in larger quantities, promotes graphitization. The rate of growth of graphite is smaller in aluminum steels than in silicon steels, and still less in plain carbon steels.

A hypothesis has been advanced to account for the effect of aluminum and silicon in promoting graphite nucleation in the presence of oxygen. This suggests that many particles of alpha alumina or of cristobalite are produced when steels containing aluminum or silicon are treated at 1220° F. in the presence of oxygen, these oxides acting as foreign nuclei for graphite.

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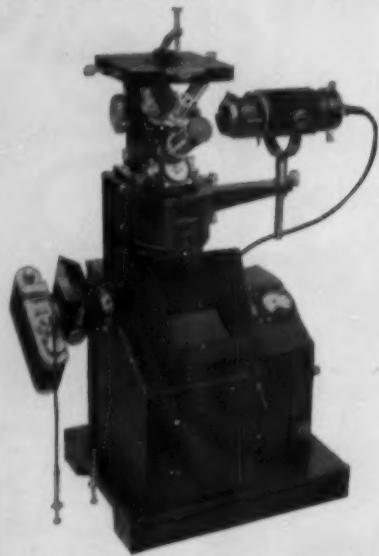


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All work was done at Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Atomic Energy Division, using Type 302-B stainless steel powder supplied by Vanadium-Alloys Steel Co. The objective was to produce a dense, strong and ductile foil of stainless steel and to study variables such as the rolling characteristics of the powder, including the effect of roll opening, roll speed and type of powder feed as reflected in density and thickness of the strip produced. Studies were also made of the sintering of the green rolled strip, including variations of temperature and time at temperature. Also included in the program were the effects of re-rolling of the sintered strip, including the effect of number of cold passes on tensile strength, elongation, hardness, preferred orientation, density, thickness and corrosion resistance.

Drawings showing the arrangement of the rolls and feed methods and the sintering furnace are included. Also shown are curves giving the relationships of the processing variables to thickness, green density, sintered density, as-sintered tensile strength, cold rolled tensile strength, elongation, hardness and corrosion rate. Photomicrographs of as-sintered and cold rolled strip are included.

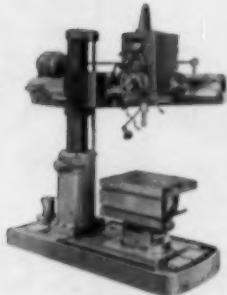
Rolling Procedure — The powder was either dumped into the "V" formed by two parallel 6×6 -in. rolls to provide heavy feed, or fed into the rolls from hoppers of various sizes maintained at different distances from the rolls to give controlled feed. By variation of rolling conditions to apply pressures be-

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*Digest of "Rolling 18-8 Stainless Steel Powder Into Strip", by S. Storcheim, J. Nylin and B. Sprissler, Report No. SEP-161, published by the Technical Information Service, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

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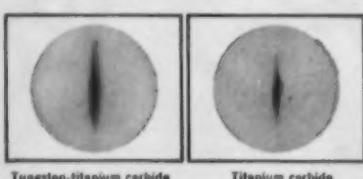
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Photomicrographs above show results of Knoop hardness test on Kennametal K8 (left) and HSS 18-4-2 steel

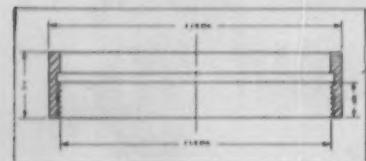
(right) at 100g. Impression in the Kennametal is only about half of that on the steel.

Photomicrographs below are of Knoop tests on grains of carbide ingredient of Kennametal. Knoop test numbers (at 100g) are: tungsten carbide, 1900; tungsten-titanium carbide, 2200; titanium carbide, 2500. These

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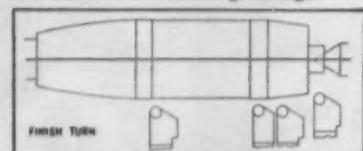


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tween 80,000 and 152,000 psi., green strip densities up to 6.98 g. per cc. were obtained. It was found that the density of the green strip decreased as rolling speed increased within the range of 10 to 40 rpm. The increase of roll speed in this range caused an increase in thickness of the green strip from 0.015 to 0.05 mil. Although the effect of variations in powder feed was rather small, density decreased with increasing width of the feed hopper.

Sintering Procedure — Sintering was done in dry hydrogen having a dew point of -62° C. at various temperatures and times at temperature. As temperature increased from 1080° C., density increased almost linearly from 5.55 to 7.10 g. per cc. Sintered density increased linearly from 6.29 to 6.59 g. per cc. as sintering time was increased from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 24 hr. with temperature remaining constant. The increased density resulting from increases in sintering time and time at temperature increased tensile strengths up to 91,000 psi. for a 24-hr. sintering time at 1300° C. This strength was accompanied by an elongation of 21%.

Cold Rolling — In the study of effects of re-rolling it was discovered that density reached a peak of 7.65 g. per cc. on the third cold reduction in a cycle of a maximum of 5 reductions. Under the conditions of the test very little change in thickness resulted in up to 5 reductions. Annealing the cold rolled sintered specimens did not materially increase density. The ultimate tensile strength for the re-rolled sheet given 5 cold passes was a maximum of 132,500 psi. in the longitudinal direction. The ultimate tensile strength in the transverse direction was 104,500 psi. Annealing lowered the tensile strengths to the range of 81,000 to 91,500 psi. Elongations obtained after annealing of the re-rolled strips varied from 1 to 30% and increased with increasing cold passes up to 5. Specimens tested in the cold worked condition showed a maximum of 3% elongation.

Corrosion Resistance — The corrosion rates of the powder metallurgy strip in water at 68° F. at 500 hr. were approximately the same as corrosion rates for strip prepared from (Continued on p. 194)

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solid material, being 0.280 and 0.300 mg. per sq. cm. respectively. The maximum corrosion rate for the powder metallurgy strip was 0.720 mg. per sq. cm. for the cold worked strip at 1000 hr. compared with a rate of 0.320 mg. per sq. cm. for annealed strip.

Conclusions — The foil produced by rolling stainless steel powder was of high density, high tensile strength, good ductility and good corrosion resistance. The data obtained for various conditions of green rolling, sintering and cold rolling make it possible to predict the techniques and equipment necessary to fabricate thicker or thinner strips than those actually made. This new method of rolling foil from metal powder is feasible and satisfactory for both soft and moderately hard powders.

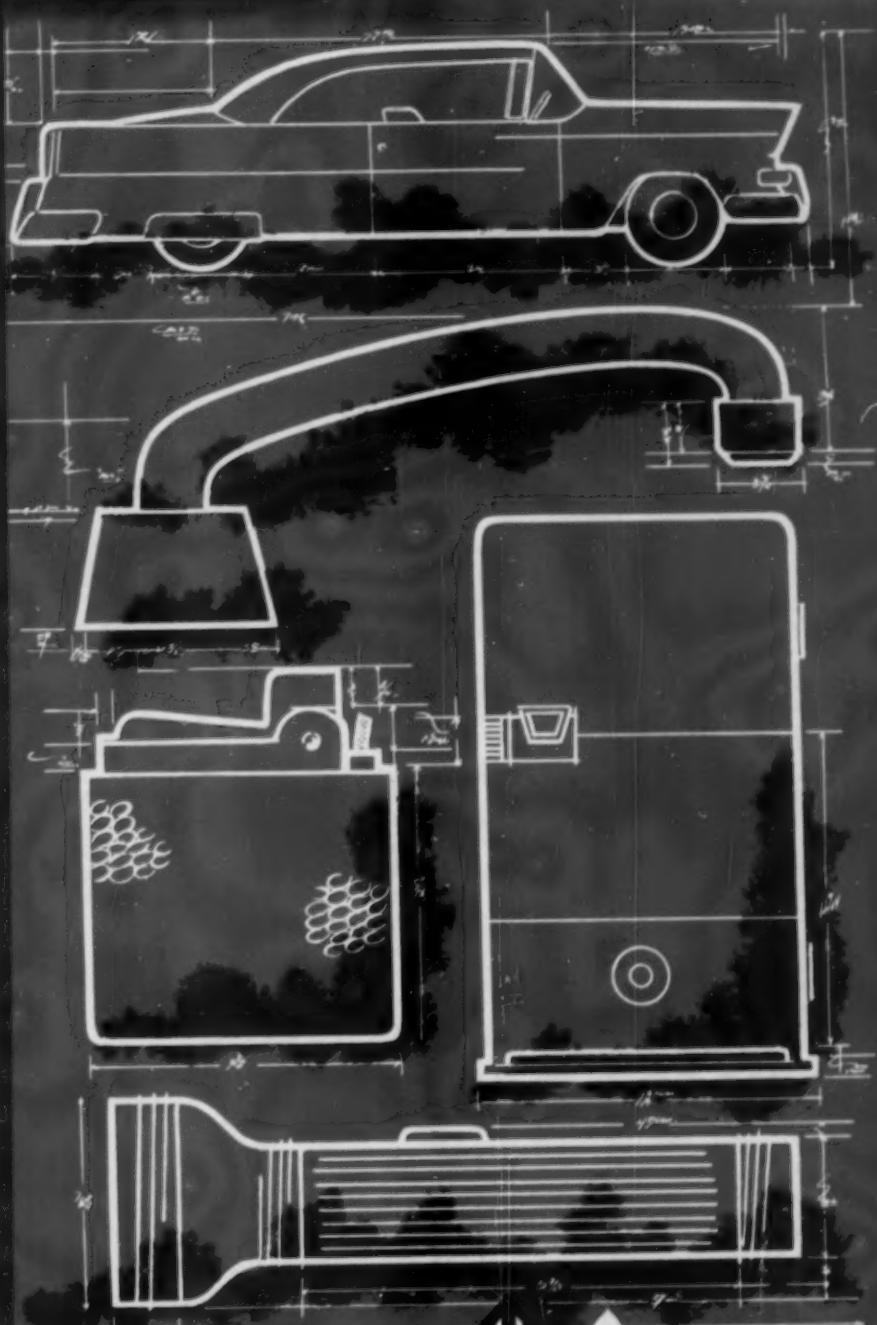
W. L. BATTEN

Welding Methods and Acid Resisting Alloys Used in Germany*

THE FIRST article is on the new developments in welding equipment and welding fabrication. It is primarily a review of progress in welding and covers the submerged-arc welding practices and the economies that can be obtained from the higher metal deposition this process offers over manual welding with covered electrodes. The article also deals with Heliarc and sigma welding and refers to practices used in the United States for these as well as for inert-gas welding. The application of sigma welding to stainless steel is pointed out and reference is made to inert-gas spot welding but no information is given on this subject. Mention is made of stud welding, which is very similar to the Nelson stud welding method employed extensively in this country.

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*A review of (1) "Recent Welding Developments in Apparatus and Tank Construction", by H. Engstler; (2) "The Acid Resistance of Low-Nickel, High-Chromium Alloys With Molybdenum and Copper Additions", by W. Tofaute and H. J. Roeha; (3) "Welding in Modern Shipbuilding", by K. Holand, *Technische Mitteilungen Krupp*, Vol. 3, June 1954.



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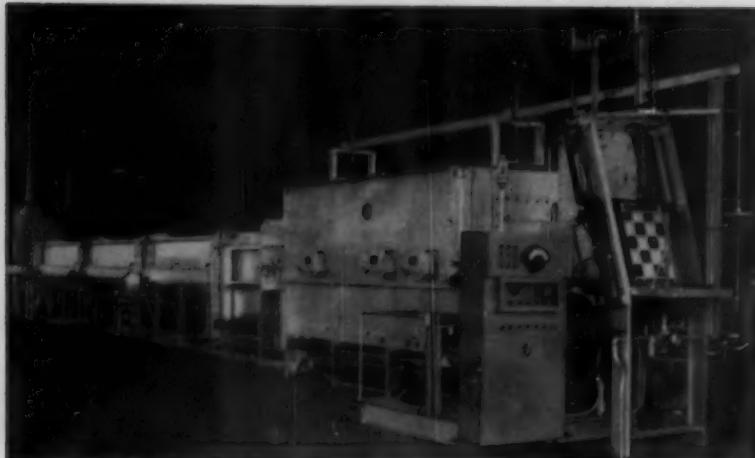


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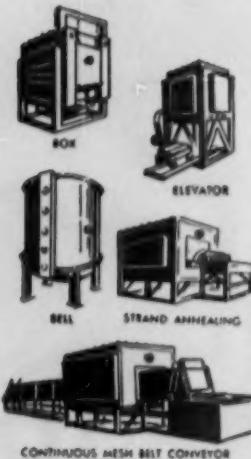




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The reference to a new development in Germany with regard to the use of a ceramic quartz-containing material as a backing for welding from one side, is for welding circular seams in pipe and also for pressure vessels of small diameter. There are no details describing it or information on its composition.

This first paper also includes a description of powder cutting equipment for gas cutting of stainless steel and nonferrous metals. The summary points out the importance of inert-gas welding and that it may increase in application and importance. It is also indicated that because of high labor costs, automatic welding is definitely increasing and that submerged-arc welding particularly is more economical than manual welding.

The second article gives considerable information on a large variety of alloys containing nickel-chromium, molybdenum and copper with regard to their corrosion resistance in sulphuric acid and nitric acid. A special test is described for determining the passivity characteristics of these alloys. The magnetic and mechanical properties of the alloys are given in a tabulation.

Corrosion data for these alloys without molybdenum, in boiling nitric acid, are given. The effect of chromium concentration on the passivity characteristics in sulphuric acid is also described. The effects of nickel and molybdenum content are discussed.

A summary of this paper indicates that alloys containing from 20 to 30% chromium and from 0 to 10% nickel with 0 to 3% molybdenum and 0 to 3% copper were examined for their mechanical, magnetic and corrosion resistance properties in nitric and sulphuric acids. The results indicate that the alloy containing from 23 to 30% chromium, with a low nickel content of approximately 2%, has excellent passivation characteristics in sulphuric acid and in some degrees is better than the well-known 18-8 type stainless steel alloys. The addition of 2% molybdenum and 1% copper revealed excellent mechanical properties and increased corrosion resistance with respect to the passivation characteristics.

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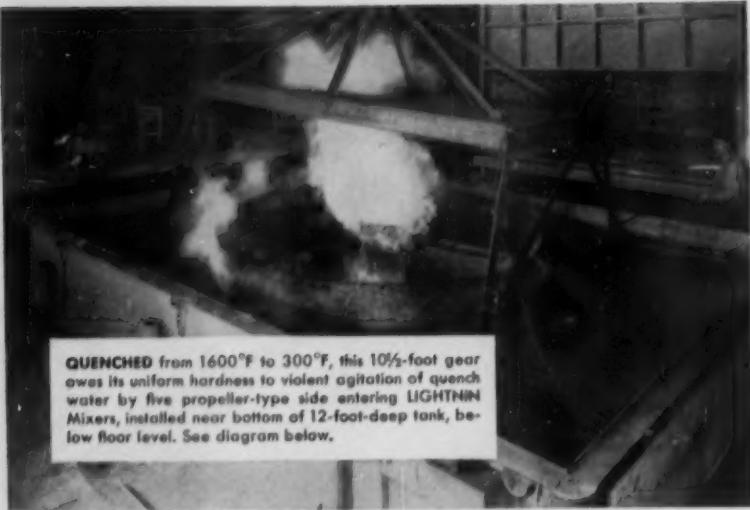
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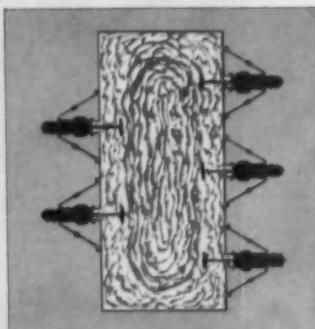
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istics; in some ways this is superior to the 18-8 type of alloys.

The third article pertains to welding in modern ship construction and is primarily devoted to the use of subassembly construction in shipbuilding, a development which started in the United States during the last war. Economy of using subassemblies in the fabrication of a welded ship is clearly indicated and apparently the German practice today follows this trend. The summary of this article indicates that in modern ship construction, welding has replaced practically all riveting. It emphasizes the importance of employing ductile material, which is described as insensitive to crack propagation, and proper design in construction and the importance of using approved welding procedures.

J. J. CHYLE

Test for Screening Cast Stainless Alloys*

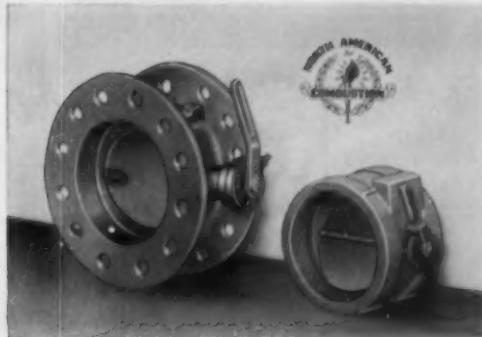
THIS PAPER describes a practical application of the procedure set forth by M. A. Streicher, "Screening Stainless Steels From the 240-Hour Nitric Acid Test by Electrolytic Etching in Oxalic Acid", *ASTM Bulletin*, February 1953, p. 35 (reported in *Metal Progress* for July 1954, p. 166). Steels which are susceptible to intergranular attack can be segregated from those immune to such attack by the characteristic microstructures of the former. The investigation, sponsored by the Alloy Casting Institute, revealed the microstructures which are obtained with the electrolytic oxalic acid test. Cast steels of the CF-8 and CF-8 M grades were used, in both the annealed condition (quenched in water from 2000°F.) and the annealed and sensitized condition (sensitizing at 1200°F. followed by a water quench).

The test involves polishing through (Continued on p. 200)

*Digest of "Electrolytic Etching in Oxalic Acid Used to Screen Cast CF-8 and CF-8M Stainless Steels From the 240-Hour Nitric Acid Test", by F. H. Beck, N. D. Greene, Jr., and M. G. Fontana, *ASTM Bulletin*, January 1954, p. 68-71.

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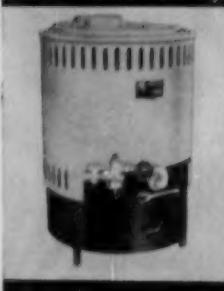
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Screening Test . . .

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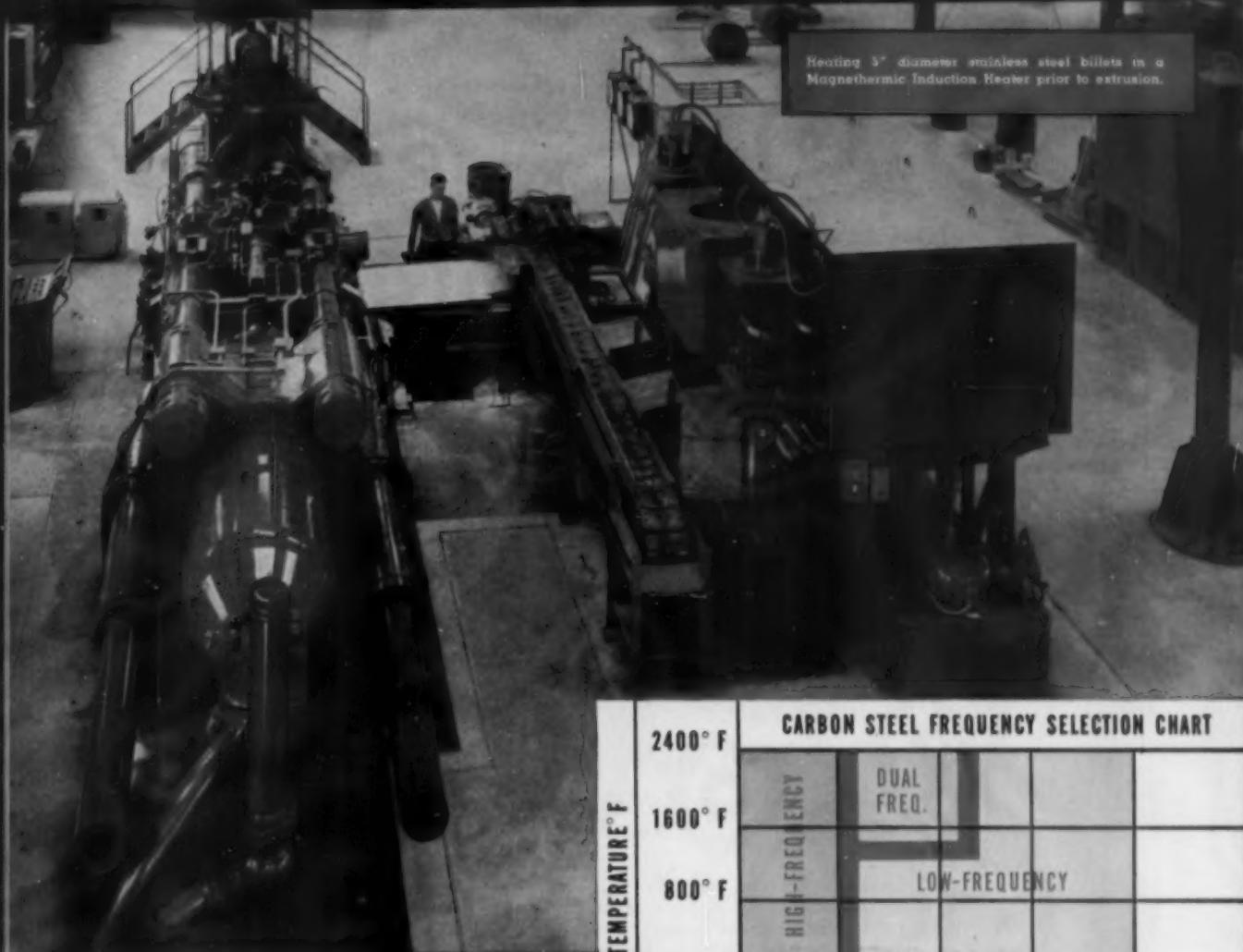
1. Complete ditching of grain boundaries.
2. Heavy etching of interconnecting ferrite stringers.
3. Random pitting.
4. Slight etching around ferrite pools.
5. Little or no etching of grain boundaries.

Only those cast stainless steels showing the structures described under 1 and 2 above would be considered to require the complete 240-hr. boiling 65% nitric acid test.

In this series of tests duplicate specimens were prepared from each casting submitted to the screening test. One specimen was subjected to the boiling nitric acid test (A.S.T.M. Specification A 292-52 T) and the other specimen was given the electrolytic oxalic acid test as described above. Tabulated data are presented which are typical for a number of tests and serve to illustrate the reliability of the screening procedure. Tests were also made using higher and lower current densities in etching with compensations in the time. These showed that although improvements in the appearance of the microstructures could be achieved by changing the etching conditions from those proposed by Streicher, these changes did not result in any great advantage. It is desirable to have standard etching conditions for both wrought and cast stainless steels.

Among the specimens examined were some obtained from solution treated and quenched material. This material would normally show low corrosion penetration rates for nitric acid and would pass this test. Other specimens had been deliberately sensitized. There was complete correlation between the screening tests and the more exhaustive 240-hr. boiling nitric acid test. Thus the screening procedure with the shorter electrolytic etching avoids the necessity for the boiling nitric acid test.

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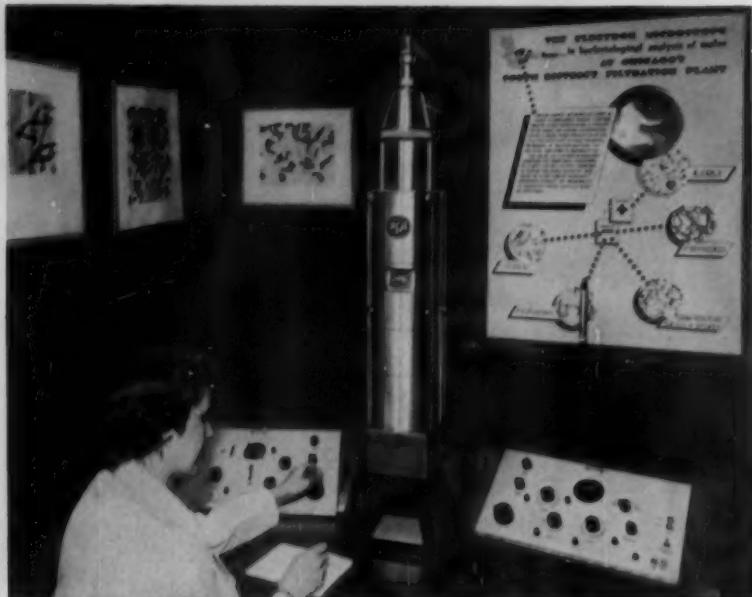
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and only those materials which fail the etching test need be subjected to the 240-hr. test.

Conclusions — An electrolytic etching screening test can be used for cast alloys CF-8 and CF-8M. Only those cast stainless steels showing structures described under 1 and 2 above need be subjected to the 240-hr. boiling nitric acid test. All the other microstructures are representative of steels having acceptable corrosion penetration rates in the nitric acid test. Evidence of pitting is likely to be observed in the microstructures, but pitting alone is not considered a determining structure for screening cast stainless steels.

R. L. ANDERSON

Factors Affecting Microcharacter of Metal Surfaces*

THE SURFACES of single and polycrystals of metals show characteristic changes in structure under the influence of various factors that fail to remove noticeable amounts of metal. Thus, if a polycrystalline metal that has been subjected to mechanical working is heated in a vacuum at a high temperature, the traces of the working disappear and sharp boundaries between the separate crystallites become visible. As a result of a reaction that is catalyzed by the metal, the same phenomena occur at temperatures several hundred degrees centigrade below the temperature of "thermal etching".

On prolonged heating, one observes grain coarsening and the characteristic ledge-structure.

The latter structure has been the subject of many studies using the optical microscope and these have led to the belief of a block substructure with a linear dimension of 5000 to 8000 Angstroms. Electron microscopic studies of the surface changes produced by chemical proc-

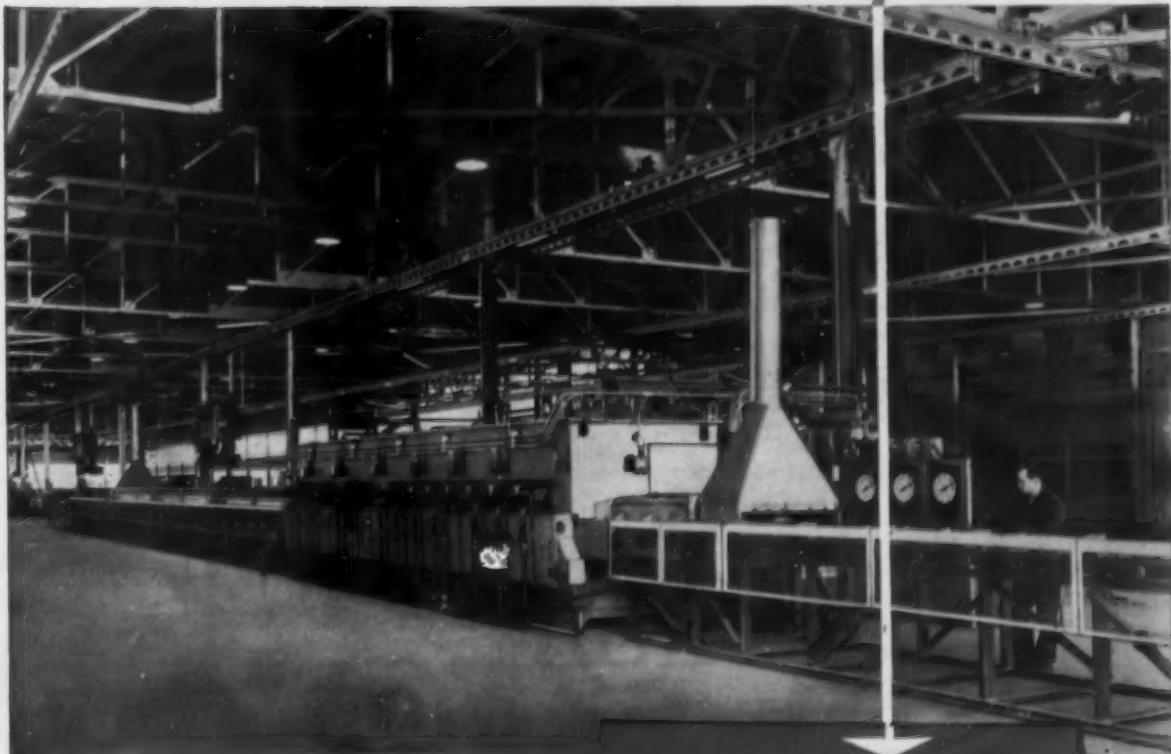
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*Digest of "Changes in Metallic Surfaces Produced by Chemical Processes and by Heating", by S. Z. Roginskii, I. I. Tret'yakov and A. B. Shekhter, *Doklady Akademii Nauk SSSR*, Vol. 91, 1953, p. 1167-1169.

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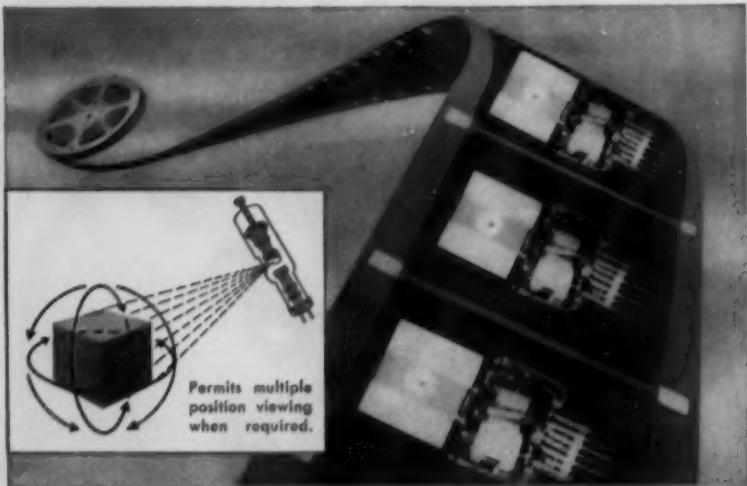
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esses and by heating have now revealed new characteristics of the processes involved.

In addition to the block structure previously observed using the light microscope, detailed studies with the electron microscope have revealed shelf or terrace-like structures of significantly smaller width and height, often in the form of typical growth formations. Thus, when palladium was heated at 1000° C. (1830° F.) in vacuum, lamellar protruberances with a spacing of 500 Å. appeared on the surface. Also, a lamellar structure with a spacing of 200 to 300 Å. was observed on platinum.

The sizes of the units of substructure are thus an order of magnitude smaller than described by L. Graf. Also, Graf's estimate of the depth and width of grain-boundary depressions was much larger than the present value of about 30 Å.

The fine structures described above were not the result of local overheating, since an entirely different "crater" structure was produced when the surface reaction was more rapid. At reaction rates that eventually produced the usual terraces, the initial structure was more of a rounded "hills and valleys" kind having about the same dimensions.

The three factors that seem to determine the type of surface structure that develops are thermodynamic, kinetic and chemical. The thermodynamic free energy can approach a minimum by: (a) eliminating any worked surface layer; (b) replacing crystal faces of high surface energy by those of lower energy; (c) coarsening of grains through recrystallization. A powerful thermodynamic factor is the specific chemical adsorption of foreign substances, such as oxygen on platinum. Comer has shown that this adsorption occurs to various degrees on different grains and that a grain experiencing strong adsorption has a minimum surface energy. Thus, a surface may undergo a reorganization in the presence of a certain medium and then reverse this change when the medium is removed.

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H. H. Harris

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Bore	85 mm.	Suspension:	Coil and wishbone
Stroke	88 mm.	Front	Coil and swing axle
Cubic capacity	2,996 cc.	Rear	
Piston area	52.8 sq. in.	Shock absorbers:	
Valves	Inclined i.o.h.e.	Front	Telescopic
Compression ratio	8.55 to 1	Rear	Telescopic
Engine performance		Wheel type	Bolt-on disc
Max power	240 h.p.	Tire size	6.70 x 15
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B.M.E.P. at peak power	171 lb./sq.in.	Dimensions	
B.M.E.P. per sq.in. piston area	4.55	Wheelbase	7 ft. 10 1/2 in.
Peak piston speed, ft. per min.	3,540	Track:	
Engine details		Front	6 ft. 6 1/2 in.
Carburetor	Boehn injector	Rear	6 ft. 8 1/2 in.
Ignition	Oil	Overall length	14 ft. 8 in.
	Benz 260/14	Overall width	5 ft. 10 1/2 in.
Fuel pump	Bosch	Overall height	4 ft. 1 1/2 in.
Fuel capacity	28 1/2 gal.	Dry weight	20 cwt.
Transmission		Performance data	
Clutch	Single plate	Piston area, sq.in. per ton	52.8
Gear ratios:		Brake lining area, sq.in. per ton	256.7
Top	3.64	Top gear m.p.h. per 1,000 r.p.m.	24.3
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rate of which is increased at higher temperatures. However, other factors, such as compound formation or the presence of an active substance, can also facilitate the reactions.

The third group of factors is connected with chemical impurities of the solid body. These form a film at crystal boundaries and interfere with grain growth and recrystallization. Chemical processes can also affect the thermodynamic factor, for example by changing the phase compositions.

A. G. GUY

Ductility of Chromium at Room Temperature*

A PRELIMINARY examination of the factors governing the room-temperature ductility of chromium was made by the Aeronautical Research Laboratories at Melbourne, Australia. This work, done with chromium spectrographically pure, contained, normally, 0.06% oxygen, 0.005% nitrogen and less than 0.005% carbon. The chromium was melted in an argon-arc furnace and then forged, swaged and rolled in protective steel sheaths.

The surface sensitivity of chromium was demonstrated by room-temperature tensile tests on wrought sheet. A maximum tensile elongation of 15% with a corresponding ultimate strength of 74,500 psi. was obtained after electropolishing. Roughening the surface by acid etching or grinding and filing increased the ultimate strengths to 78,500 and 89,000 psi., respectively, but decreased the tensile elongations to values of 11% and 0%, respectively.

Small amounts of nitrogen seriously impair the room-temperature ductility of chromium. Approximately 0.02% nitrogen dissolved in the metal renders it brittle in simple bend tests. Embrittlement by this mechanism occurs upon heating chromium in air or nitrogen at temperatures as low as 1200° F. for

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* Digest of "A Study of the Room-Temperature Ductility of Chromium", by H. L. Wain, F. Henderson and S. T. M. Johnstone, *Journal of the Institute of Metals*, Vol. 83, December 1954, p. 133-148.

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Ductility . . .

periods as short as 2 hr. On the other hand, the ductility of chromium does not appear to be affected by heating in oxygen at these temperatures and times.

The losses in ductility arising from the presence of notches or contamination of the surface can be overcome by etching or electropolishing to remove the affected layer.

Most of the wrought chromium sheet prepared could be bent successfully 180° at room temperature. Sheet in the completely recrystallized condition, however, fractured in a completely brittle manner during attempted bending. The authors were able to prepare recrystallized chromium having some bend ductility at room temperature and learned that the recrystallized material is more sensitive to embrittlement by notches and impurities than the wrought material.

A hypothesis, based on Cottrell locking effects, was proposed to explain these observations. It is postulated that the presence of nitro-

gen in solid solution in the chromium makes it possible for the Cottrell mechanism to operate, and that chromium in which the dislocations are anchored by nitrogen atoms exhibits similar behavior to that shown by iron containing carbon and nitrogen at subzero temperatures. If the nitrogen content is reduced below a critical concentration with respect to dislocation density, significant Cottrell locking does not occur and the material is ductile. Also, increasing the temperature provides thermal energy to reduce the effectiveness with which dislocations are anchored by nitrogen atoms, so that a temperature is reached at which dislocation locking is ineffective and the material becomes ductile.

An explanation of the notch-brittleness of chromium is offered. This is based on the action of tri-axial stresses at the root of a notch in raising the effective yield stress. Brittle behavior is encountered when the effective yield stress is increased to such a value, through the agency of notches and Cottrell locking, that it exceeds the fracture stress.

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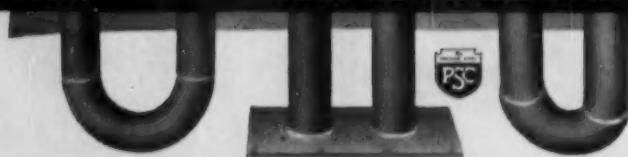
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A survey of the literature has revealed a lack of agreement among researchers which appears related to use of commercial alloys in their investigations. Many of these alloys, consisting of from four to seven different metals, form extensive solid solutions and intermetallic compounds with the base metal, thus further increasing the number of factors which may influence the strength of a brazed joint.

These complicating influences were avoided in this investigation. The report describes the determination and analysis of tensile strength-joint thickness curves for low-carbon steel (S.A.E. 1020) bars induction brazed with pure silver, pure copper, silver-copper eutectic alloy (B Ag 8), and the 85% silver, 15% manganese alloy (B Ag Mn). Comparative curves were obtained with 1% carbon steel drill-rod bars brazed with pure silver and pure copper.

A reproducible method of brazing tensile bars by means of high-frequency induction heating was evolved to take advantage of a rapid heating rate, thereby minimizing diffusion of iron into the filler metal.

Despite the precise jigging and reducing atmospheres incorporated into the brazing apparatus, examinations of the fractured specimens revealed that only in comparatively few specimens were the joints absolutely sound and voidless. The highest tensile strength values were produced by joints that were (a) voidless and (b) broke in tension in the middle of the filler metal disk.

Two principal types of imperfections were investigated. Gas inclusions, which occurred primarily along the plane of symmetry of the

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*Digest of "Investigation of Factors Determining the Tensile Strength of Brazed Joints", by Nikołajs Bredza, *Welding Journal*, Vol. 33, November 1954, p. 545s-563s.

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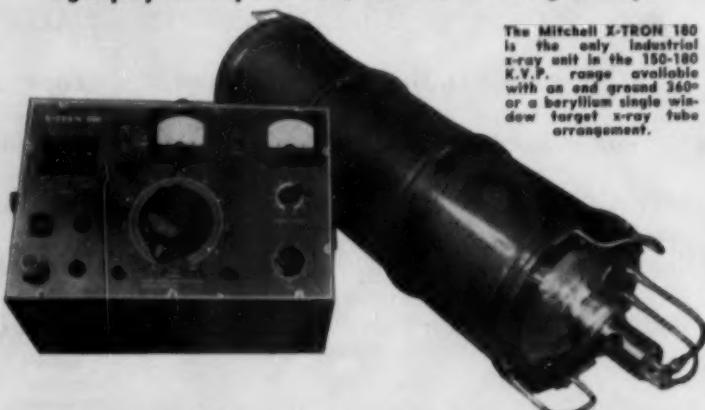
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joint, were attributed to segregation of gases during solidification. Failure of the joint at interface of base and filler metals happened only with the B Ag 8 brazing alloy and was attributed to inadequate reduction of oxide films at the low brazing temperature of this alloy.

Since only absolutely perfect joints and joints with areas of voids not exceeding 10% of the brazed area were selected for the construction of tensile strength-joint thickness curves, these curves are considered to represent the relationships for the ideally prepared joints.

All of the curves showed the same pattern: The tensile strength of the joint increases with the decrease of the filler metal disk thickness, due exclusively or almost exclusively to the increase of biaxial constraint—in other words, on account of the increase of suppression of the neck-down effect of the filler metal disk.

In view of the almost complete suppression of the plastic deformation in extremely thin joints the stress distribution in the filler metal may have approached a state of tri-axiality. Under such conditions the fracture strength of pure silver was increased in these experiments from 21,000 to 84,350 psi, at a film thickness of 0.00014 in., and the fracture strength of copper was increased from 32,000 to 106,500 psi, at a film thickness so small as to be microscopically unmeasurable.

The comparative strength of pure silver and pure copper brazed butt joints in mild steel and drill rod demonstrated that the joint strength increased with an increase in the tensile strength of the base metal. Examination of the summary curves indicated that for an equivalent filler metal disk of 0.005 in. this increase could be expected to raise the ultimate from approximately 48,000 to 60,000 psi. for the silver joints and from approximately 49,000 to 81,000 psi. for the copper joints.

Although iron and silver are reported as being insoluble in each other, the silver brazed joints invariably broke in the middle of the silver disk, indicating that formation of an alloy system between the base metal and filler metal is not an essential requisite for making a strong brazed joint.

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The alternative method is to make a second bulk charge to supplement the volume lost in melting the initial charge.

Inspection, sampling, alloy additions

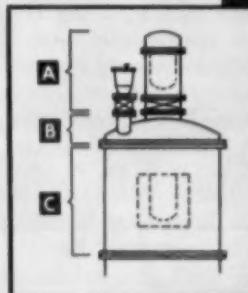
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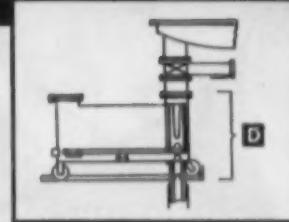
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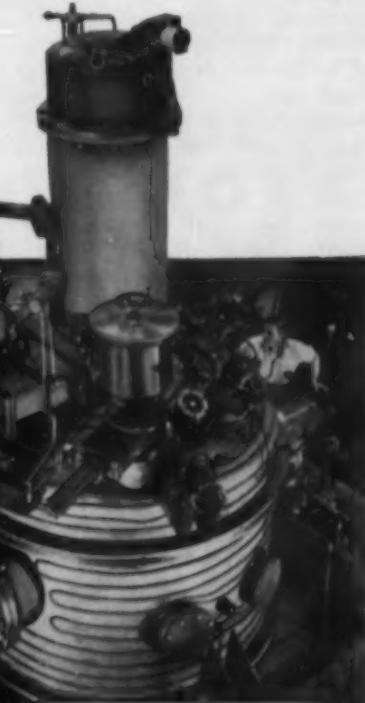
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High-Temperature Brazing of Molybdenum*

THE AUTHORS report the results of a study of 16 high-temperature brazing alloys, having melting points above 1800° F. The recrystallization of molybdenum sheet during brazing is accompanied by severe embrittlement of the molybdenum itself. Retort and torch brazing result in such embrittlement; induction brazing in argon was the most satisfactory method from the standpoint of both quality and practicability. Unfortunately, the latter method in actual practice would be limited by the size and shape of the piece being formed.

The article is of value in that it established the relative merit of the high-temperature brazing materials employed. Fluxes are also formulated for oxy-acetylene brazing and

observations are made concerning braze wetting characteristics. Three grades of molybdenum sheet were used in the investigation, two of which were processed by powder-metallurgy techniques with the third being made from arc-cast carbon de-oxidized ingots. Exposures varying from 30 sec. to 2 min. at 2400° F. were found to reduce the bend ductility to a value of about one-half that of the as-received sheet. A correlation with microstructure revealed that, as amount of recrystallization increased, ductility decreased.

Retort brazing in vacuum was done by etching single and double lap-type joints, filling the overlapping portions with strips of brazing alloy foil, and clamping in jigs. The procedure was accompanied by relatively long heating times, and all joints were subsequently found to fail in a brittle manner when bending stresses were imposed by a dynamometer.

Oxy-acetylene brazing was attempted with the following brazing alloys: 60 Pd, 40 Cu; 60 Pd, 40 Ag;

Hastelloy C; Haynes Stellite 21; Haynes Alloy 25; 25-20 stainless; 18-8 stainless; Chromel; Monel; and 70 Cu, 30 Ni. All wet the molybdenum with the exception of the 25-20 and 18-8 stainless steels, when used with a development flux of the following composition: 10% boric acid, 6% AgCl, 10% LiCl, 27% Oxweld Brazo flux, 20% NaF and 27% CaF. This flux is difficult to remove after brazing but it is satisfactory for the preparation of test specimens. Brazing times of 25 to 50 sec. were employed. Subsequent dynamometer tests produced tensile failure in the base metal rather than shear failure in the joint.

In order to obtain very rapid heating cycles, and thereby minimize embrittlement, induction brazing apparatus was constructed. The best results were with a small Vycor tube and induction coil, under which conditions it was possible to melt the brazing alloys in 5 to 6 sec. and to cool the joint to below 1800° F. in 20 sec. A slotted type of tensile

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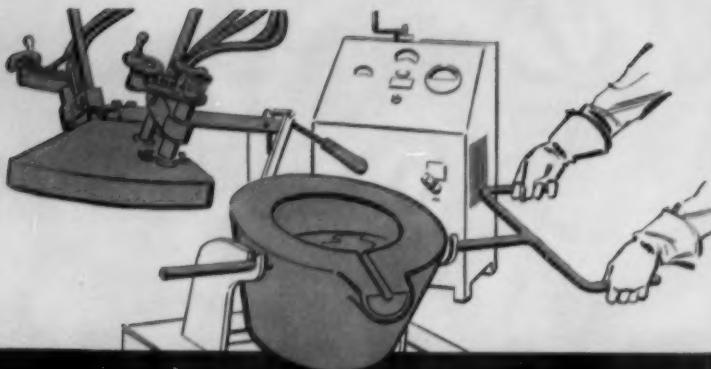
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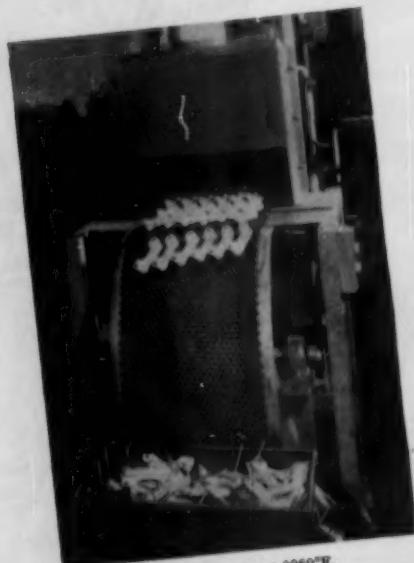
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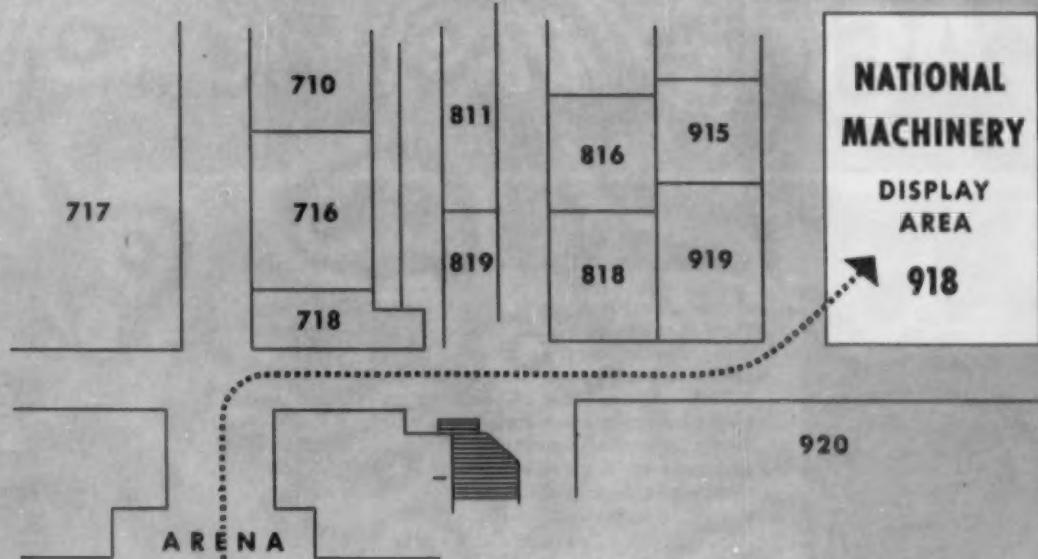
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Brazing Molybdenum . . .

specimen was used with this apparatus. The specimen consisted of two pieces of sheet metal joined at right angles along a slot placed in the end of one of the pieces. This specimen was found to fail in the base metal during tensile testing at room temperature, but true shear failures occurred through the joint at 1800° F. Inconel, Haynes Alloy 25, and Monel were the most promising brazing alloys studied, with respective braze shear strengths at 1800° F. of 18,800, 14,250, and 12,750 psi. Various noble metal brazes gave lower resultant shear values.

The diffusion of molybdenum into the braze metal during the melting operation was confirmed by microstructure, hardness tests, tensile tests, and joint melting tests. This diffusion may either increase or decrease the strength of the joint, depending on composition and intermetallic compound formation. The stress-rupture strength for 100 hr. at 1800° F. of an induction-brazed Inconel joint was found to be approximately 5000 psi., which value is 50% of the wrought molybdenum value at this same temperature. Suggested fields for further study include a determination of creep properties, strength tests at 2000° F., the use of molybdenum-titanium alloys of higher recrystallization temperature, and the development of new brazing alloys and ductility test methods.

REVIEWER'S COMMENT: Embrittlement of molybdenum during brazing and prior to heat-engine utilization is a more serious engineering problem than the authors indicate. Even though subsequent forming operations are not required on the brazed joint, operating components are subject to severe vibration and notch-brittle materials are viewed with alarm. The utilization of molybdenum alloys of higher recrystallization temperature is a promising and logical direction of future effort. It is of interest to note that Ziegler, Meinhart and Goldsmith (*Transactions A.S.M.*, Vol. 42, p. 175-198) show that nickel-base materials, such as Inconel, are also good molybdenum cladding materials. The Inconel relationship may be more than coincidence. J. P. DENNY



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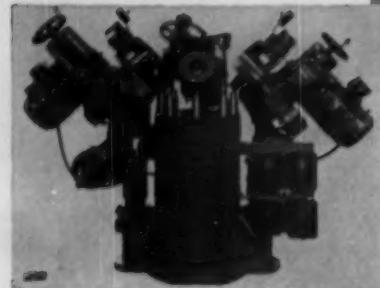
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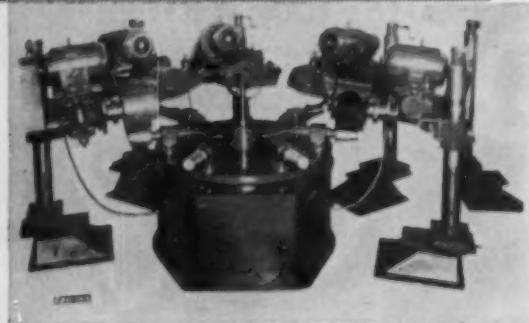
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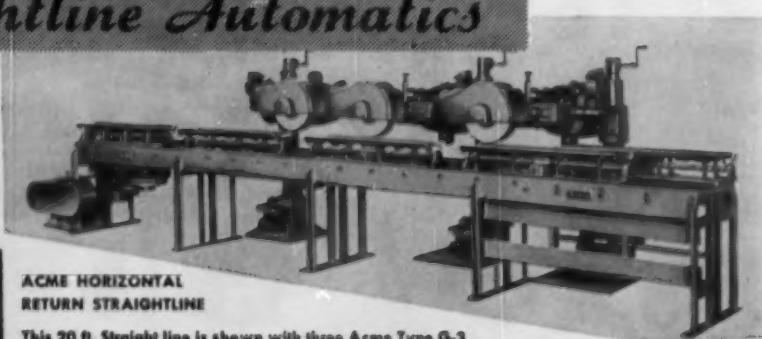
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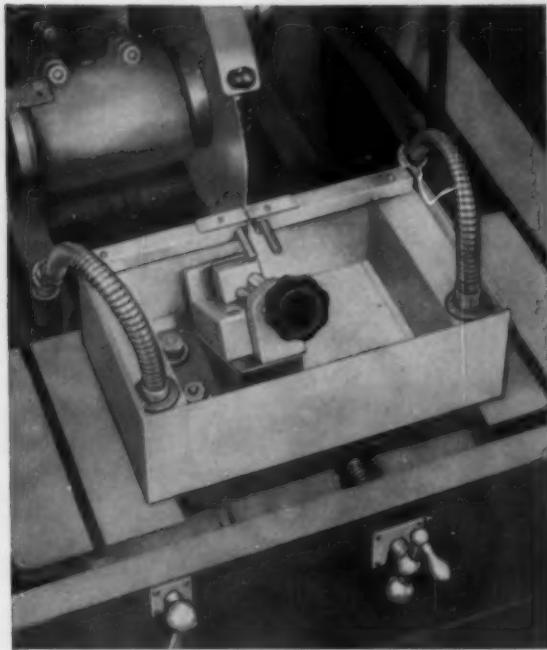
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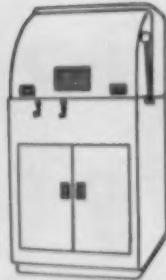
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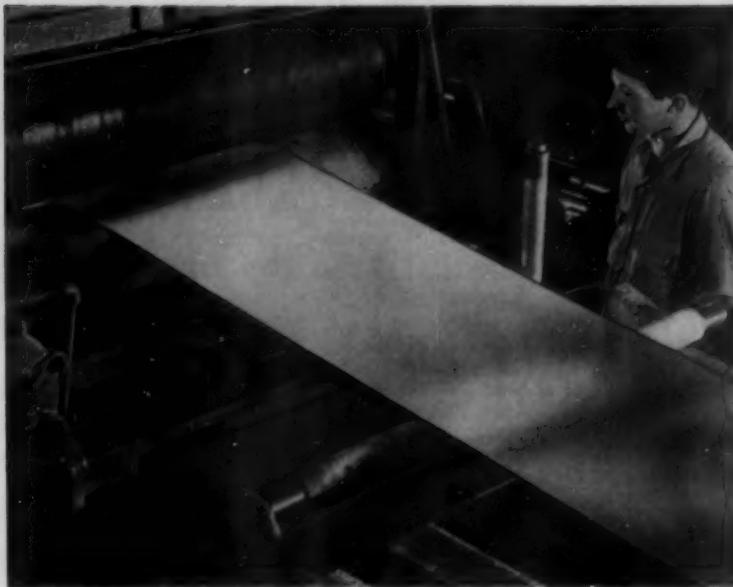
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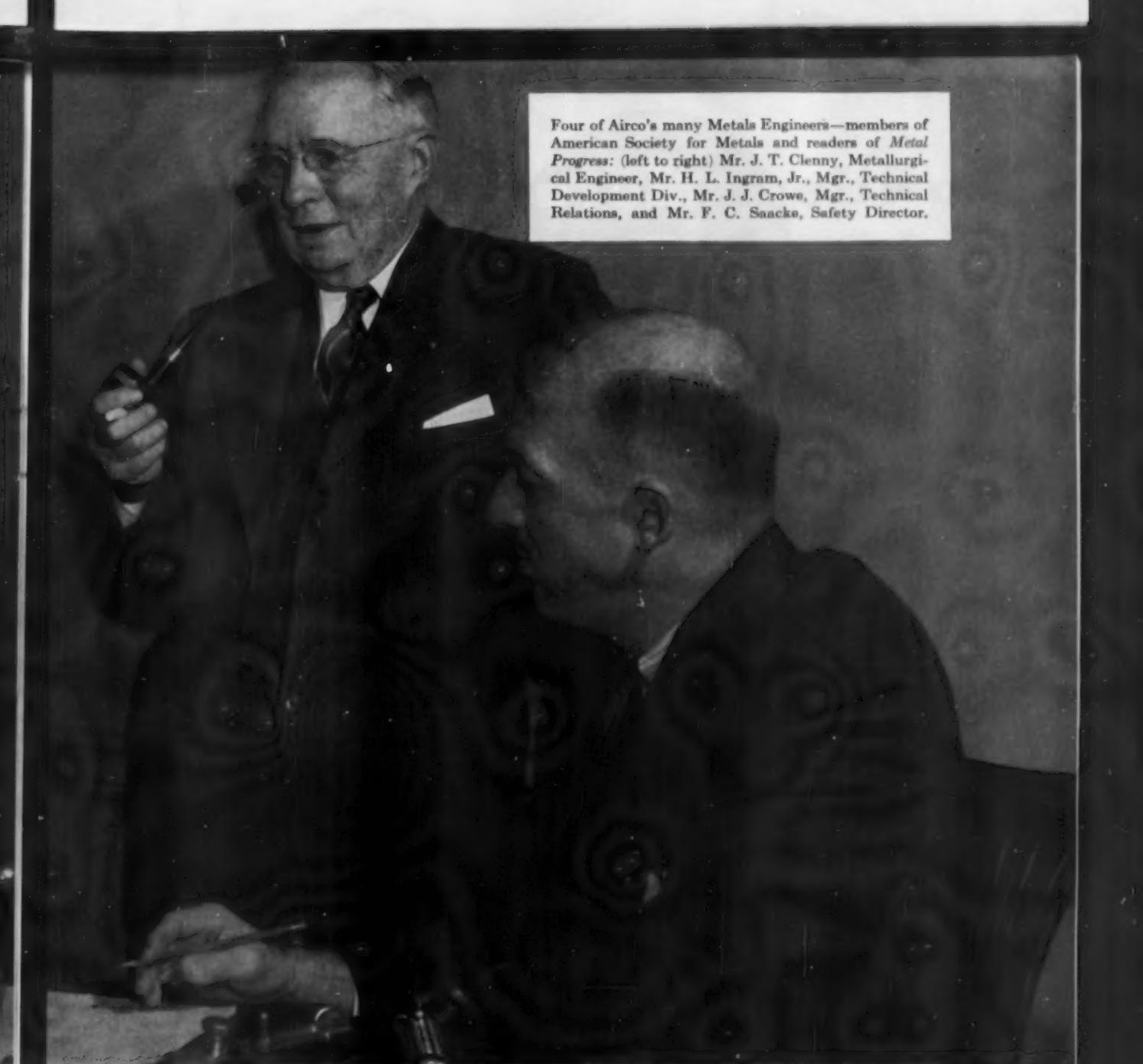
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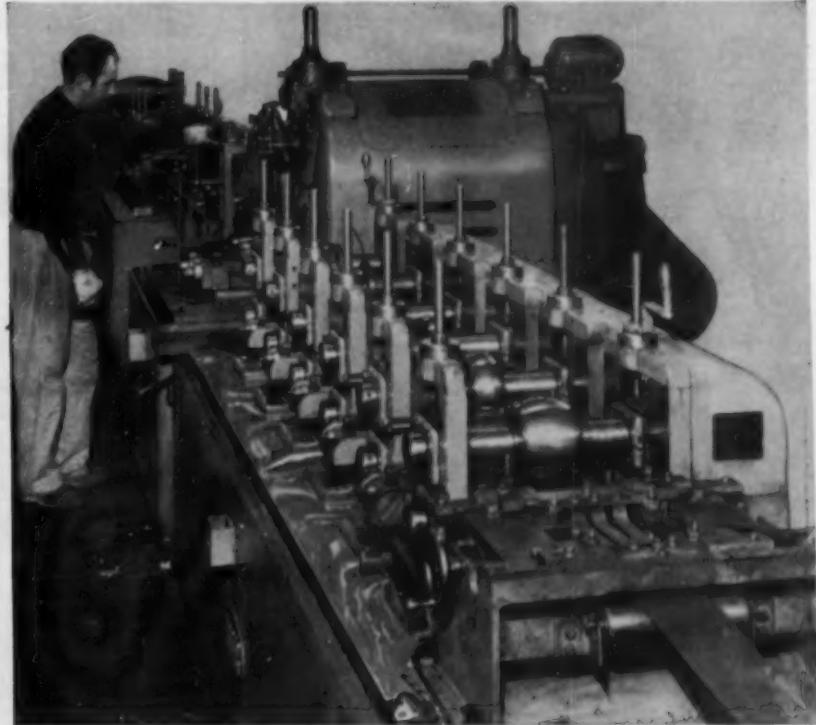
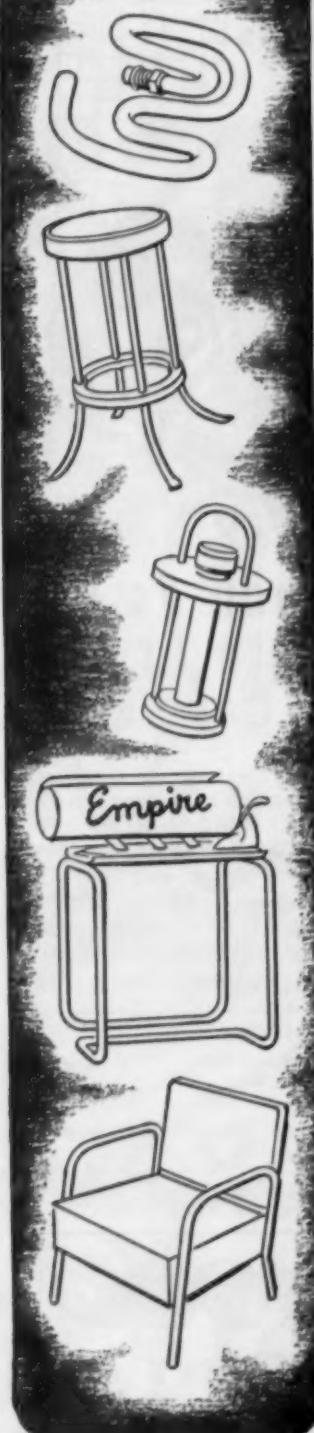
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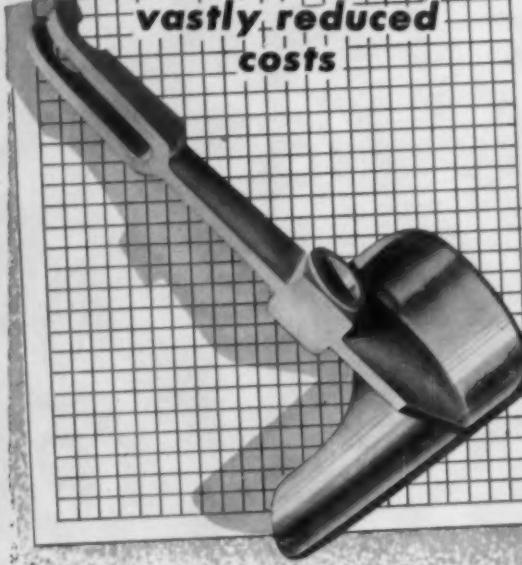
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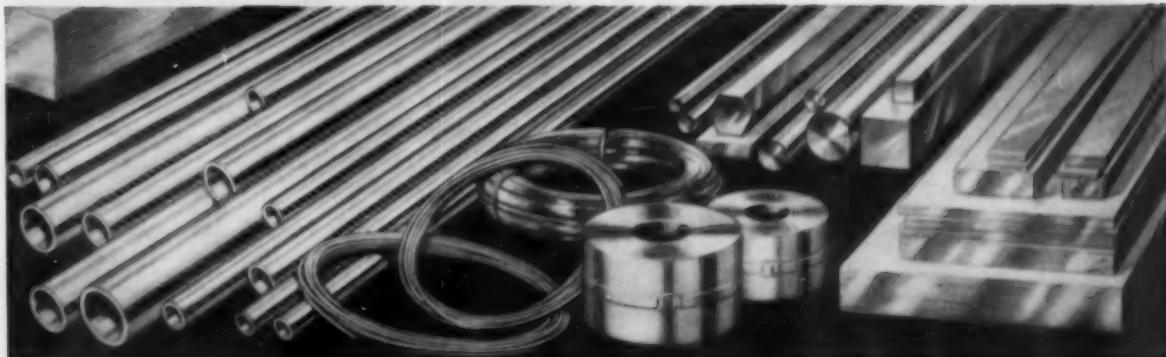
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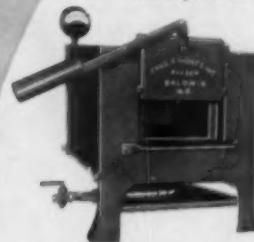
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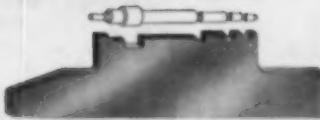
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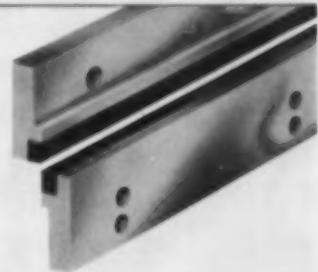
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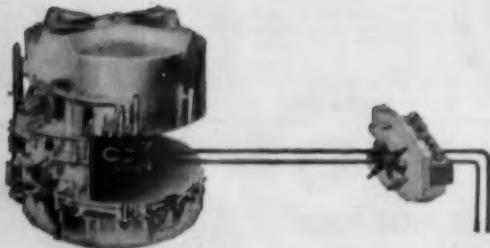
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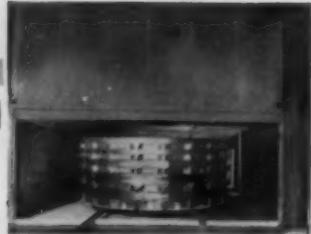


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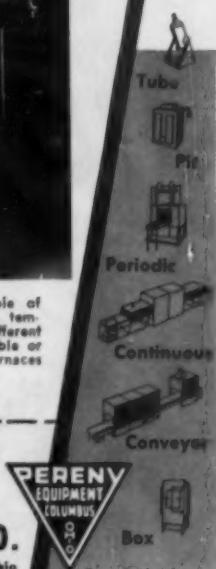
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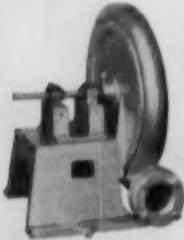
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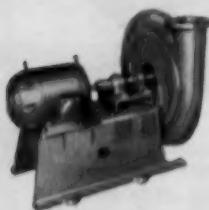
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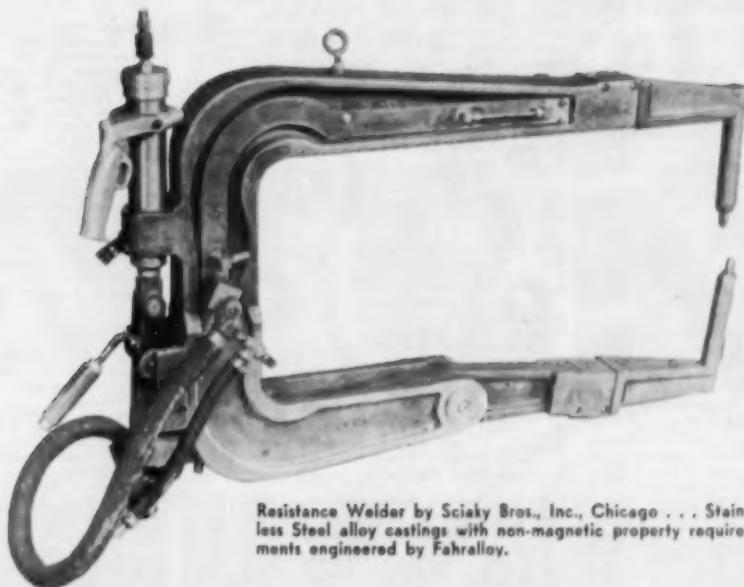
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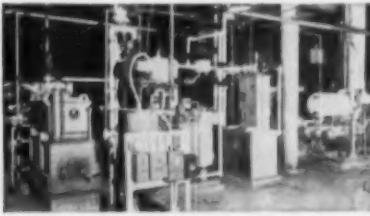
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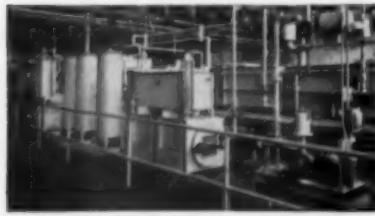
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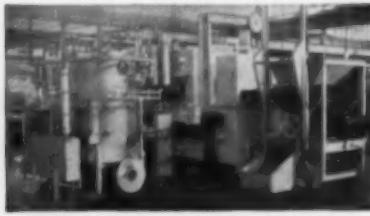
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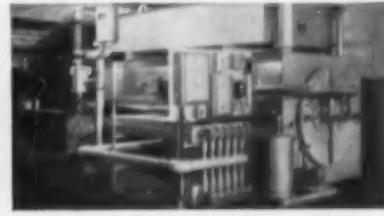
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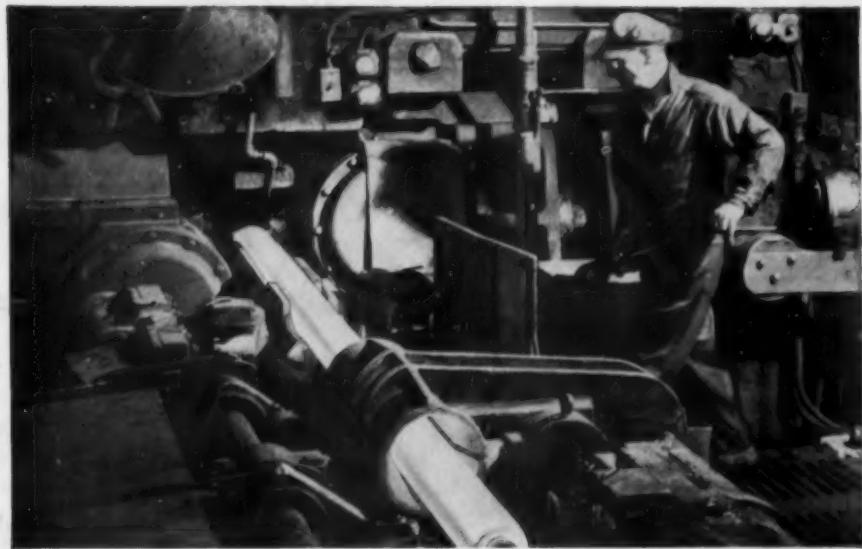
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